



IF THERE'S ONE THING I LEARNED...

THAT SORT OF WARRING BETWEEN ONE ANOTHER MUST END.



CLEARLY THESE PEOPLE NEED STRONG LEADERS TO UNITE THEM SO THAT ALL WILL SURVIVE AND THRIVE.

BUT THINGS MUST BE DIFFERENT THIS TIME.

ALL SHOULD BE RESPECTED AND TREATED FAIRLY.



WILL YOU HELP ME BUILD SUCH A WORLD?



I... I DON'T EVEN KNOW YOUR NAME, FRIEND.



MY OLD NAME DOESN'T MATTER.

IT WAS BURNED AWAY IN THOSE FLAMES.

THEN YOUR NAME WILL BE YAN...

FOR THE FLAMES THAT MADE YOU.



AND YES, I'LL FOLLOW YOU, YAN.

THANKS.



BUT I DON'T NEED A FOLLOWER, HUANG.

ALL I NEED NOW ARE FRIENDS.

AND TOGETHER WE WILL FORGE AN EMPIRE OF HOPE.

Thus a New Era Begins!



**RED
GIANT**

ENTERTAINMENT

#16 JAN
2012

WAYWARD SONS

LEGENDS



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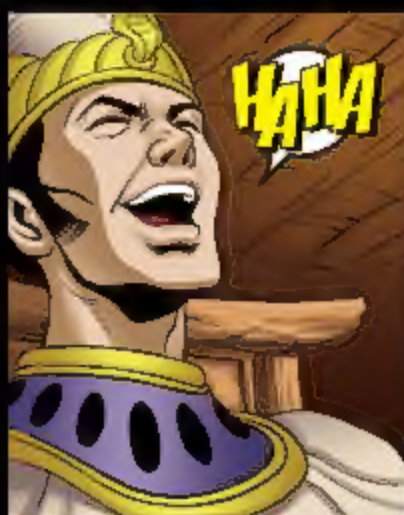
YOUJUN
YANG

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I'D
LIKE FOR
YOU TO LEAVE
MY COUNTRY,
SURASI!

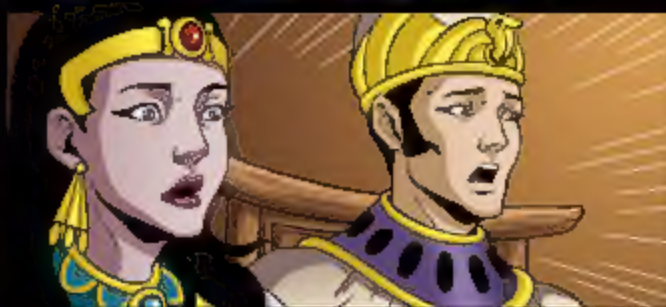




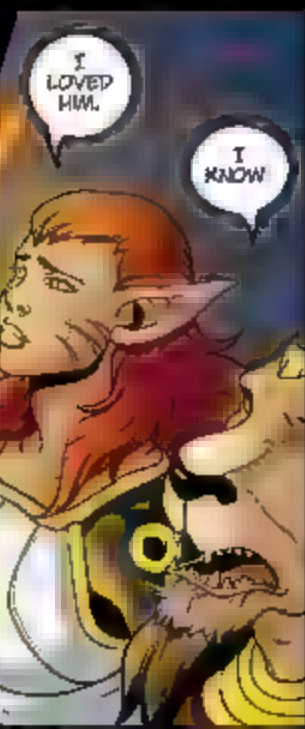
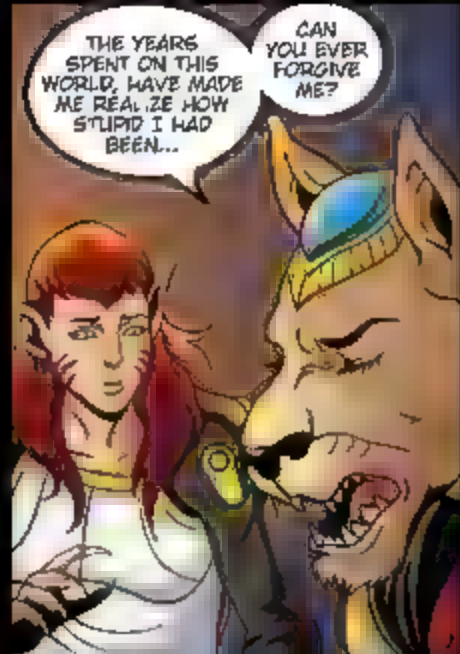














WE
LOST A LOT OF
GOOD MEN AND
WOMEN IN THAT
BATTLE.

OVER A
HUNDRED OF
OUR CREW, AND
ALMOST ONE
THOUSAND
HEKATONS.

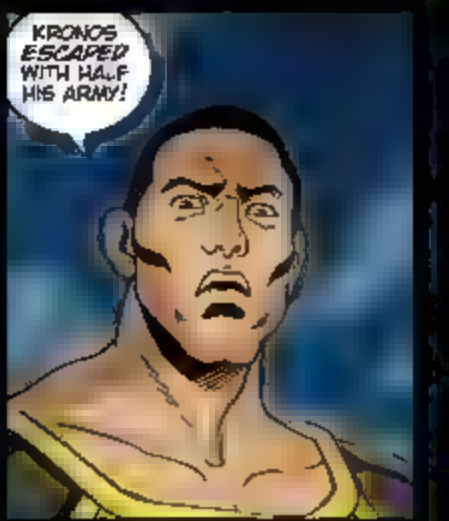
IT'S
A TRAGIC
LOSS, BUT NOT
AS BAD AS IT
MIGHT HAVE
BEEN...



THE HUMAN
DEATH TOLL
WAS EVEN
WORSE..

THEIR
SACRIFICE WAS
NOBLE. .

BUT
WAS IT IN
VAIN?



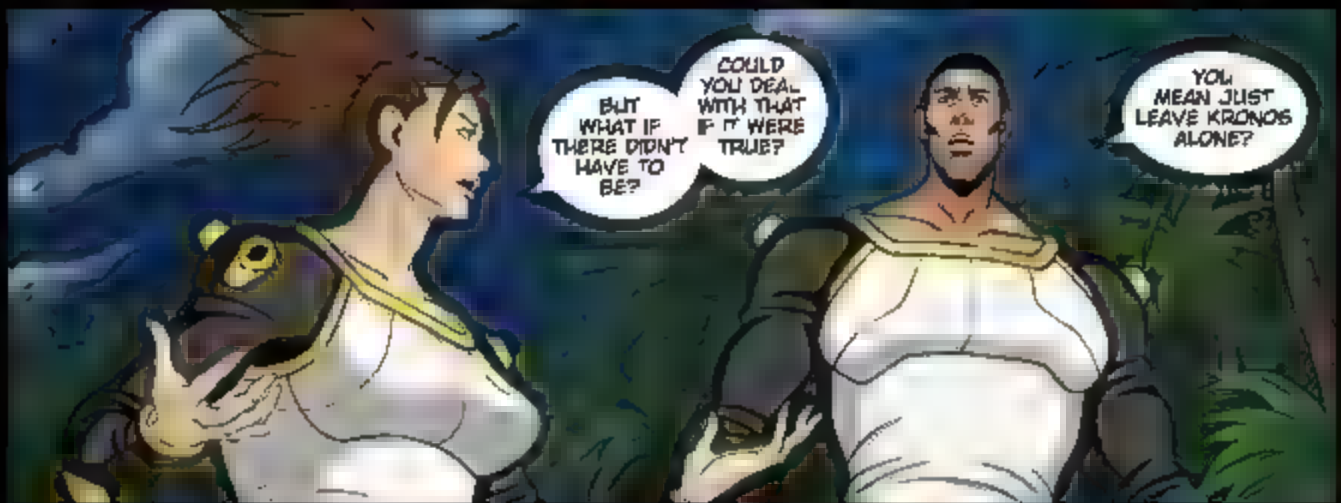
KRONOS
ESCAPED
WITH HALF
HIS ARMY!

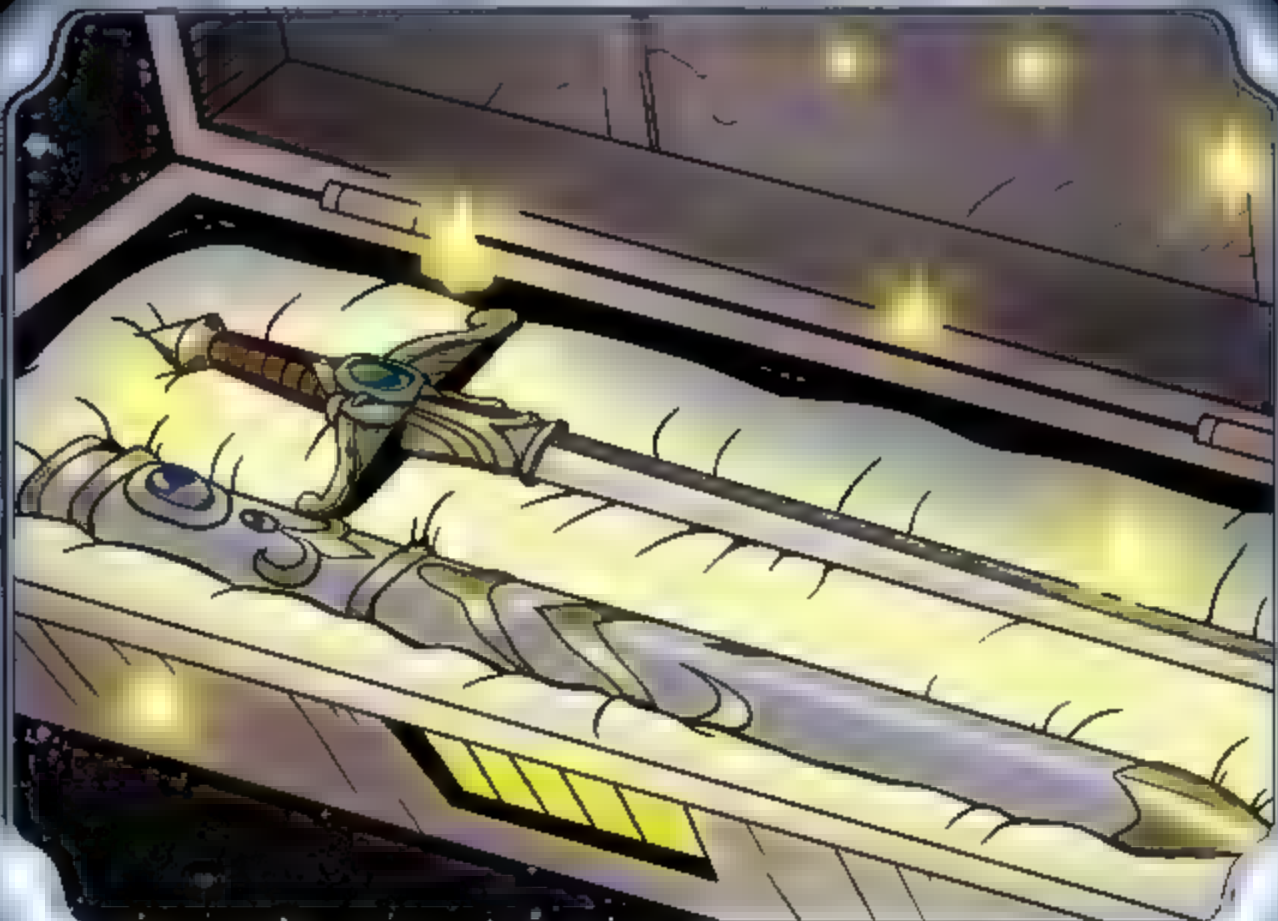


AND
EVEN IF WE
TRACK HIM
DOWN...



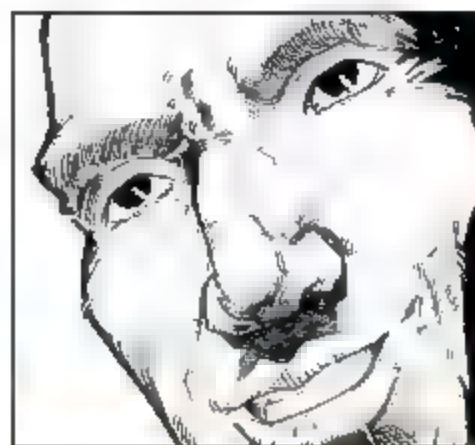
NEXT
TIME, HE'LL
BE READY
FOR US.



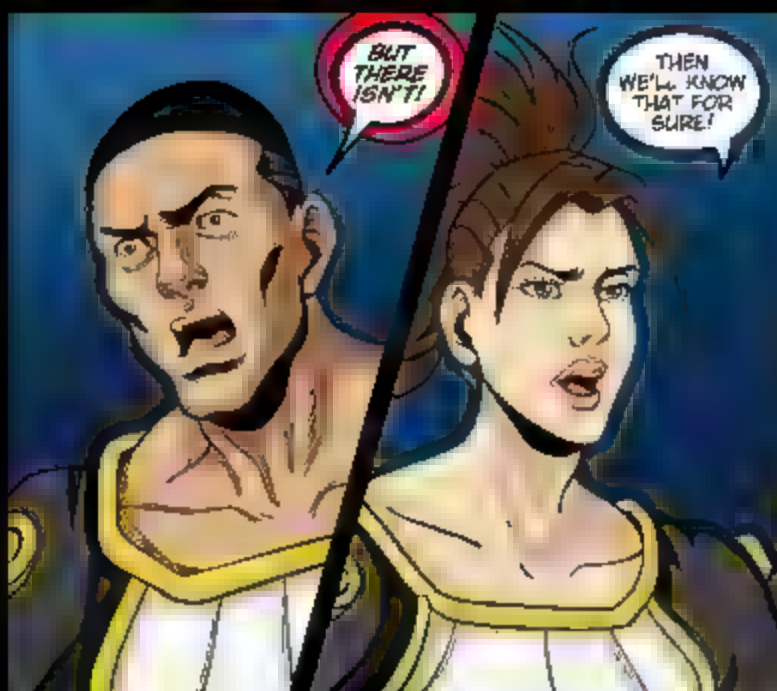


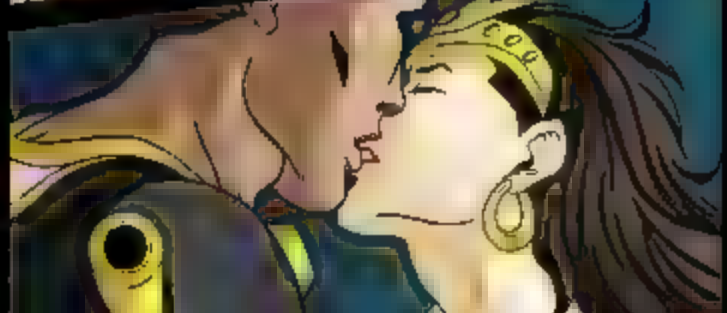
Weapon:	Lightning Blade (Suras' Sword)
Type:	Sword
Material:	Solid vastedium with Star Core inside sword's hilt
Range:	Close range for slash, up to 100 feet for dimensional rift
Rating:	Damage Class 10,000

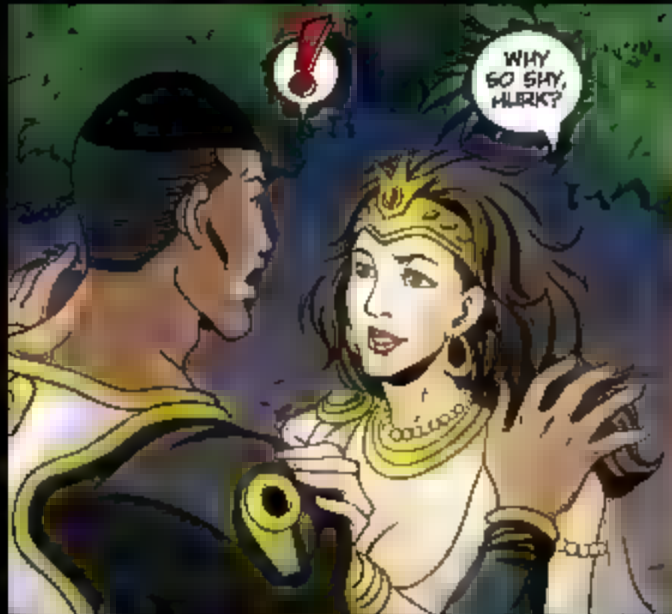
The so-called "Lightning Blade" is the most powerful weapon ever built. It is composed entirely of the rare Vastedium, except for its hilt. The hilt has a Vastedium casing, but its interior holds an advanced computer system and, more importantly, the Star Core itself. The computer core is shielded by Vastedium to protect it from the intense energies that both Suras and the Star Core channel through the sword. The sword's blade is an amazing piece of work that was meticulously honed by Phastus using his powers. Prior to adding the Star Core to the blade, it was so sharp that it was capable of effortlessly slicing through any material except Vastedium without dulling. After the addition of the Star Core, the blade can do the same to even Vastedium. The purpose of the computer is two-fold. First, it has locked the Star Core to only respond to the commands of Suras' genetic information. Second, it allows Suras to channel his own powers through the blade to either augment his abilities, or to open portals to the Tartarus dimension. While Suras uses the blade, it gives off an electrical aura, thus how it got its name.



Weilin wasn't the first penciller to be affiliated with this project. In fact, he wasn't the second, third, or even fourth. He was actually the eighth. Most of the others didn't get past the character sketch stage (although Ron Lim did a cover), but one actually got as far as doing an actual page. This was the artist right before Weilin. You might recognize it from Issue #1, Page #2. I thought you guys might enjoy seeing what might have been....





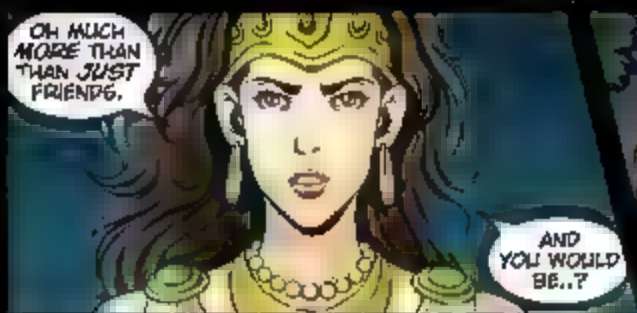


WHY SO SHY, HURK?



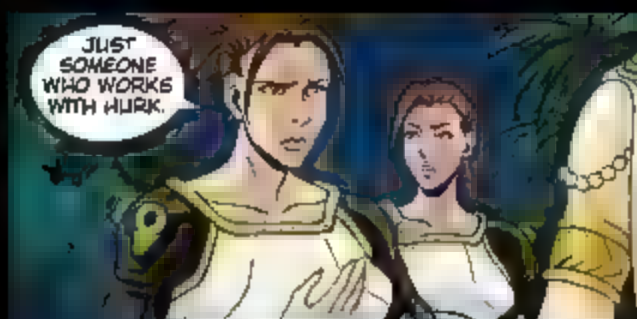
YOU DIDN'T MIND KISSING ME IN FRONT OF THEM LAST TIME.

OLD FRIENDS, I SEE?



OH MUCH MORE THAN JUST FRIENDS.

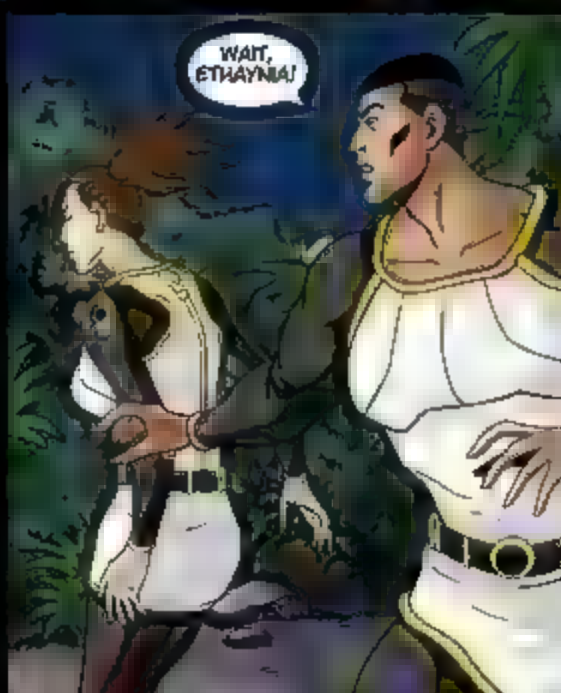
AND YOU WOULD BE..?



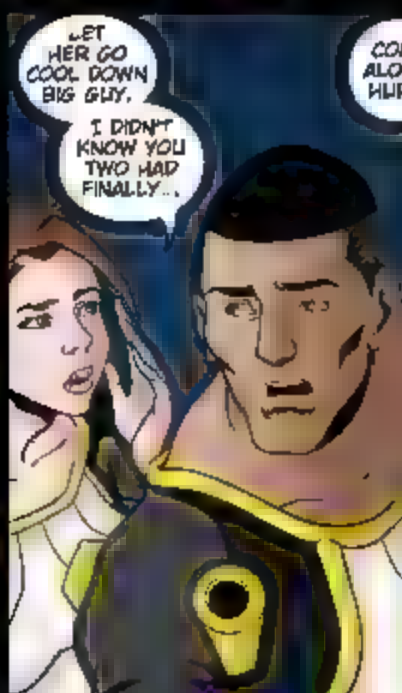
JUST SOMEONE WHO WORKS WITH HURK.



IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME... I HAVE WORK TO DO!

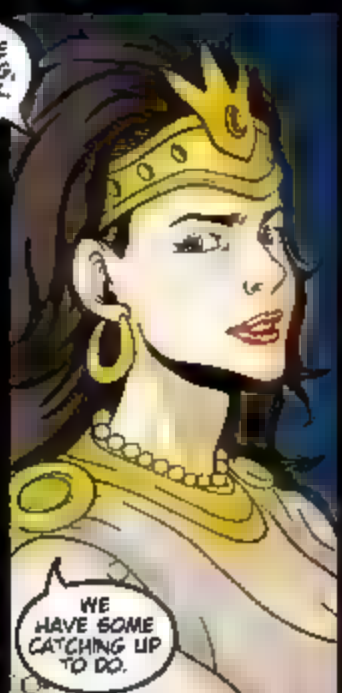


WAIT, ETHAYNIA!



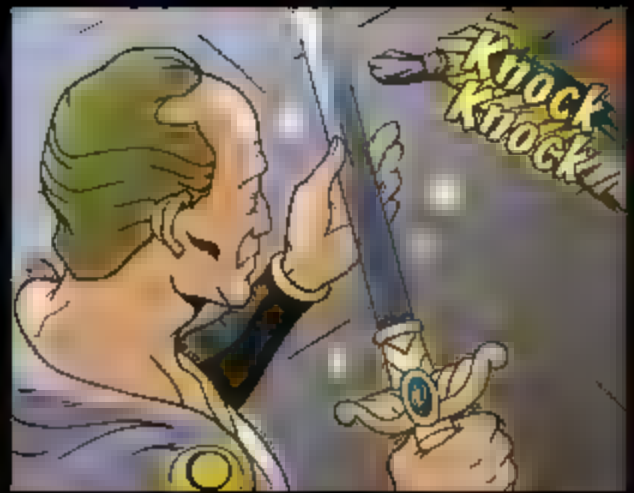
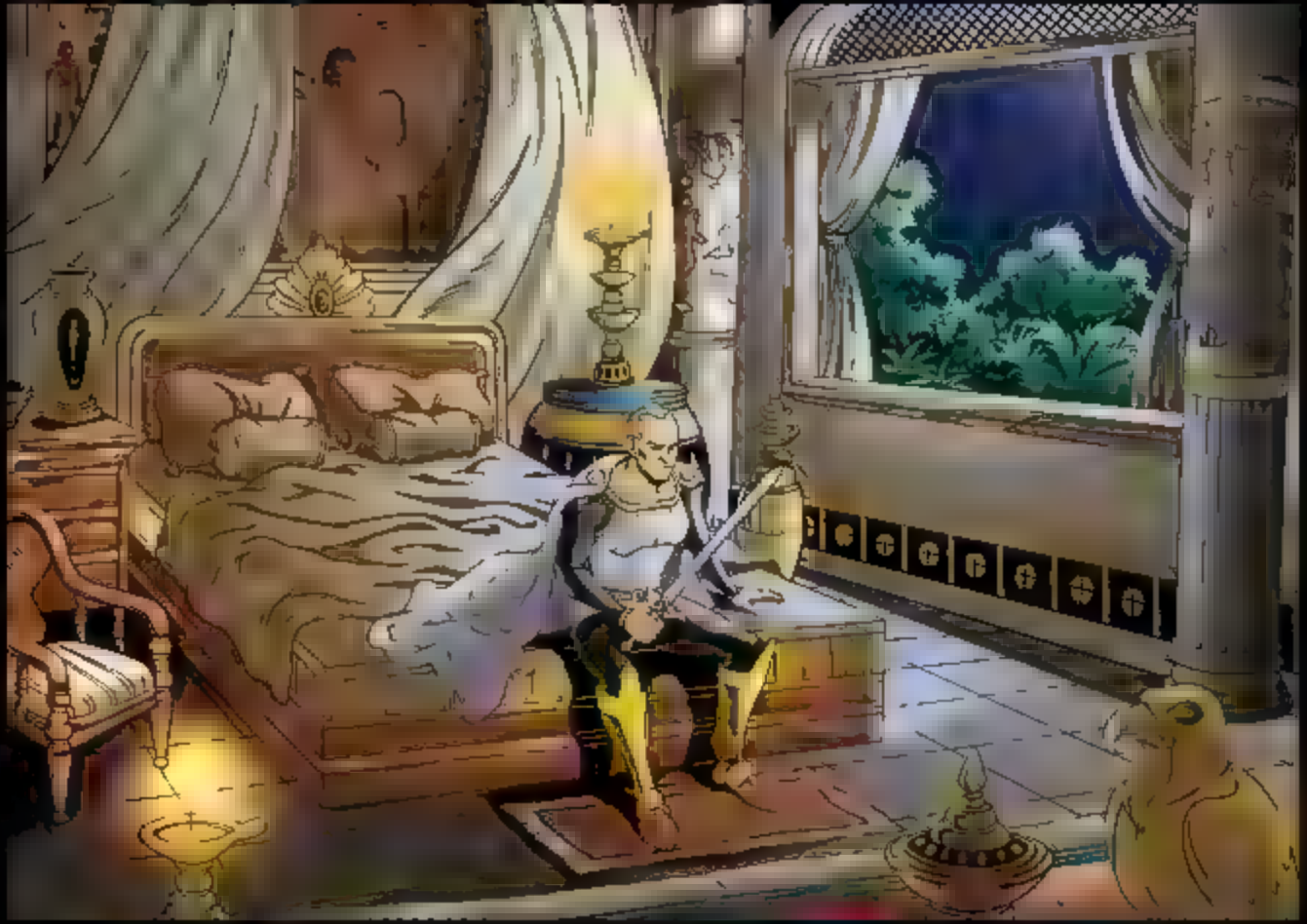
LET HER GO COOL DOWN BIG GUY.

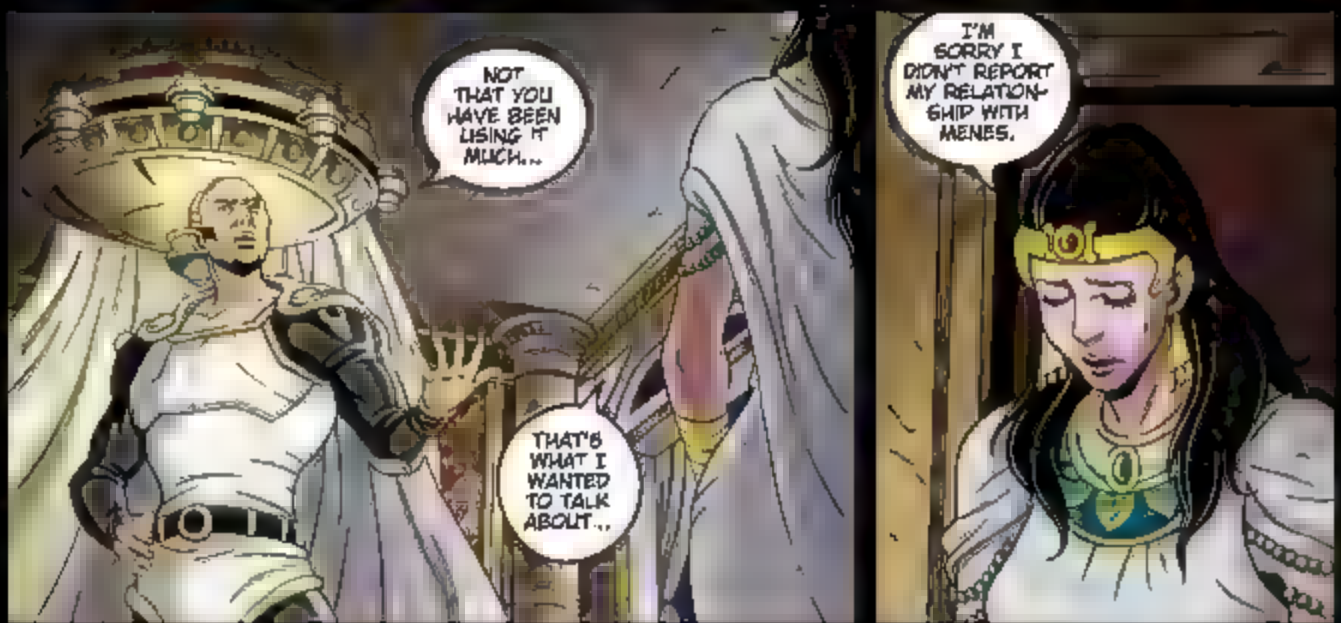
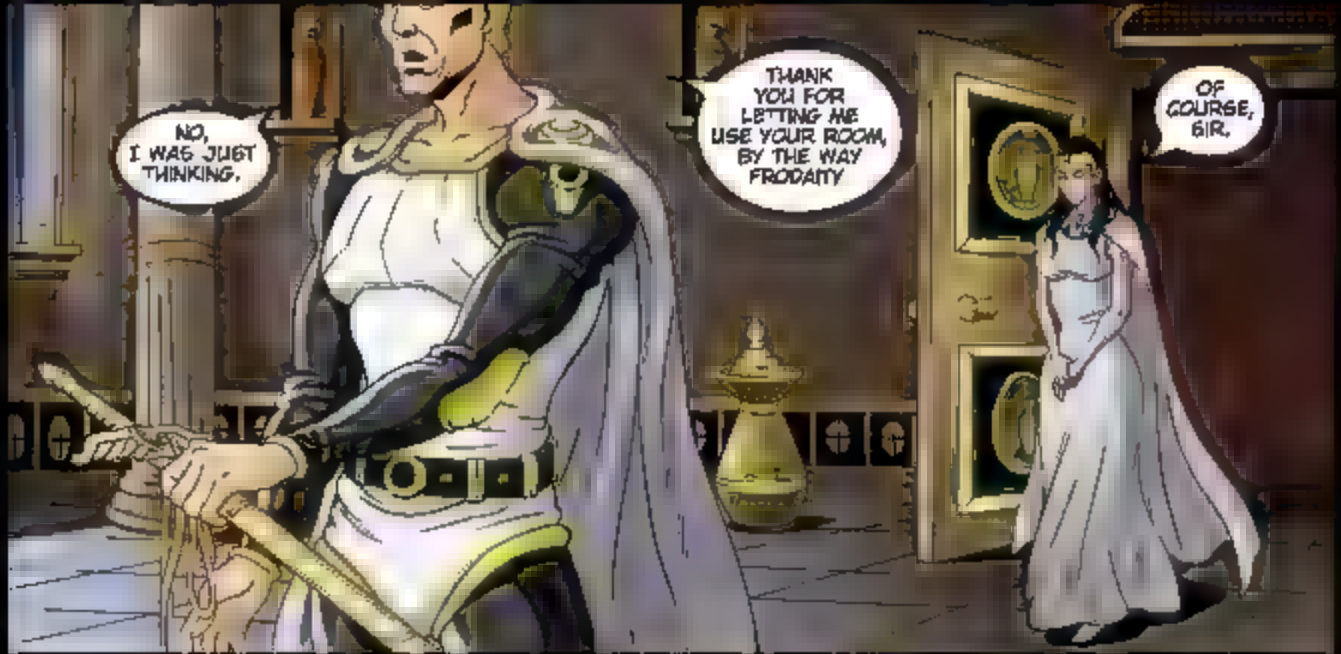
I DIDN'T KNOW YOU TWO HAD FINALLY...

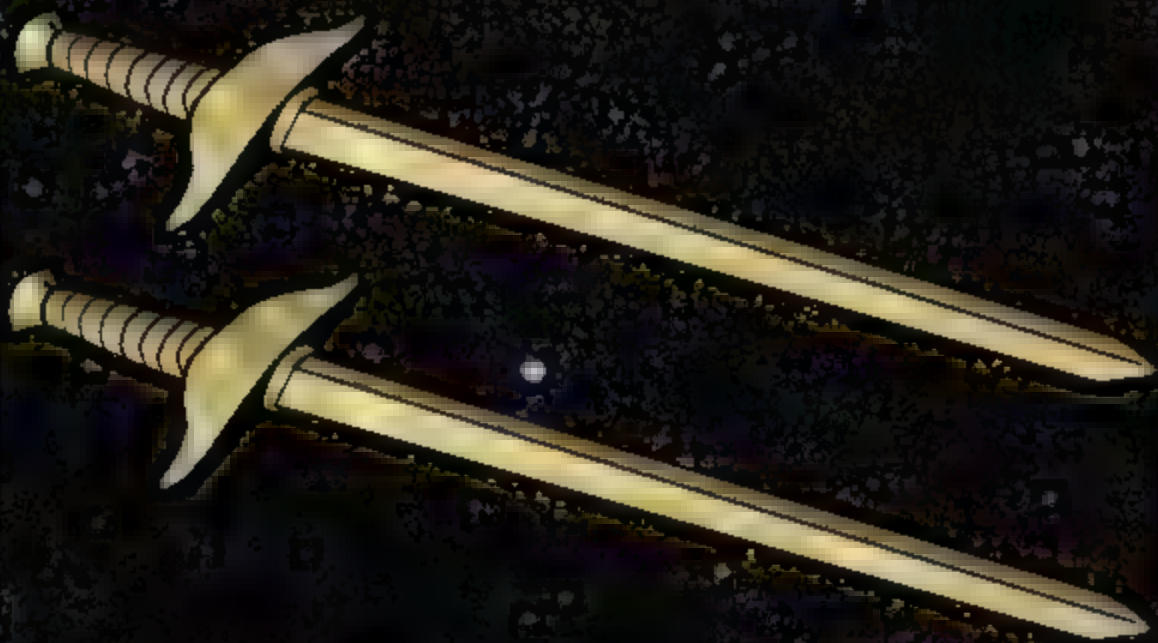


COME ALONG, HURK.

WE HAVE SOME CATCHING UP TO DO.







Weapon:	Gemini Blades (Jaren's Swords)
Type:	Twin short swords
Material:	Plated vastedium, with dual-balanced multi-alloy core
Range:	Close range only
Rating:	Damage Class 500

The Gemini Blades belonged to Jaren, and were his Holy Day gift imparted to him by Haydez and Phastus. Phastus used his abilities to perfectly balance two short swords, making them completely identical to one another, down to a microgram. Phastus then wrapped in plated vastedium, and honed their edges. They are indistinguishable from one another in every respect, and because of their coating, they don't require sharpening, and never lose any perceptible mass from use or abuse. The balance was a key factor, given Jaren's preferred fighting style of wielding both blades simultaneously. While most of his colleagues chose to use a sword and shield combination, due to Jaren's precognitive abilities, he didn't need a shield. Instead he could focus completely on offensive capabilities. The light-weight alloys within the swords allowed him to accomplish this goal. He was able to blend a combination of speed, maneuverability and damage flawlessly – often appearing to observers as little more than a whirling dervish of twin blades. Since Jaren's death, the fate of these unique weapons is unknown.

**HAPPY CHINESE
NEW YEAR!**



**the Year of the
DRAGON!**



JEALOUS?



NOT
LONG BEFORE
WE CRASHED
HERE, YOU
AND I.



AND WE
ENDED THAT
RELATIONSHIP
AS ADULTS.

THAT HAS
NO BEARING ON
OUR WORKING
RELATIONSHIP

YOU KNOW
I DON'T MIND
FRATERNIZATION
AMONG THE
CREW...

AND
PEOPLE'S
PRIVATE LIVES
ARE THEIR OWN
BUSINESS.

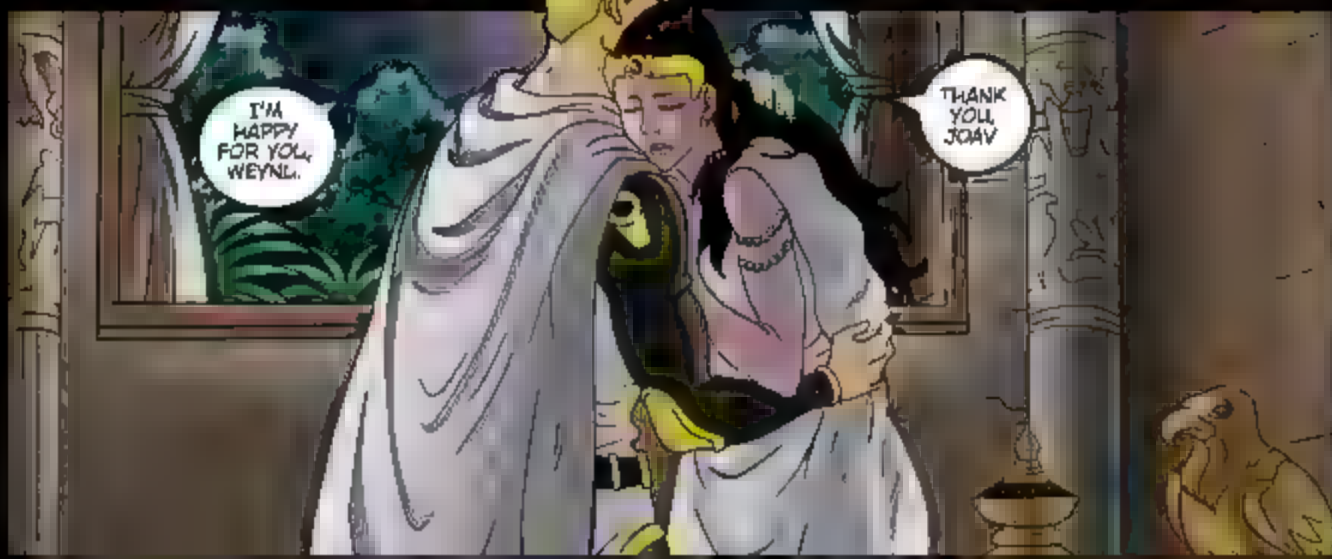
UNLESS IT
MIGHT AFFECT
OUR MISSION OR
THE SAFETY OF
THE CREW

THEN I
NEED TO BE
NOTIFIED



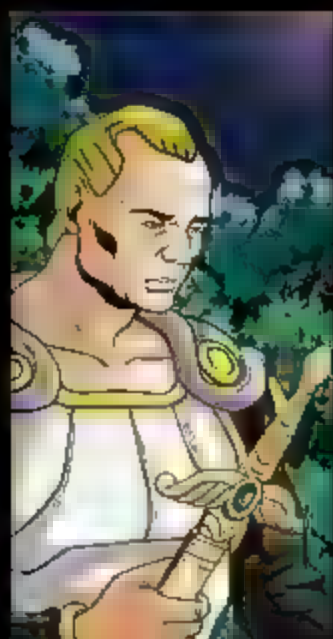
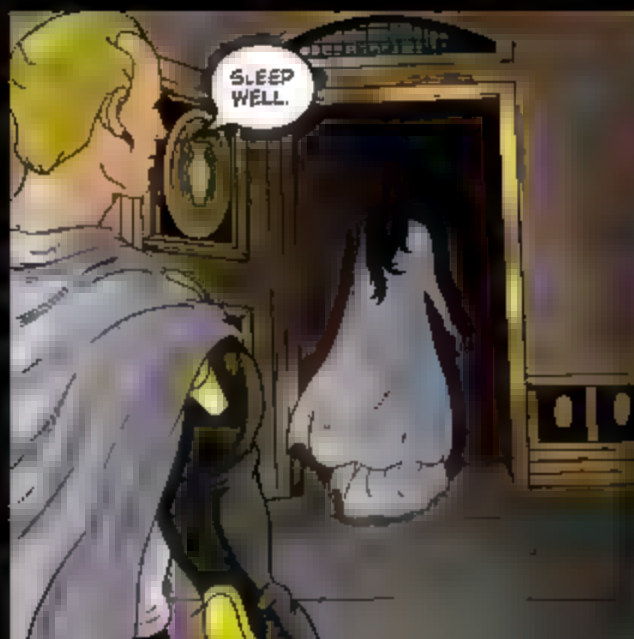
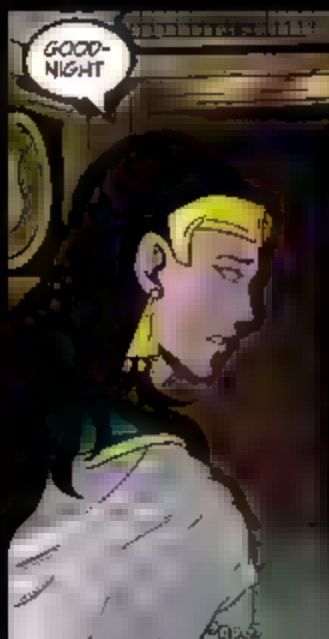
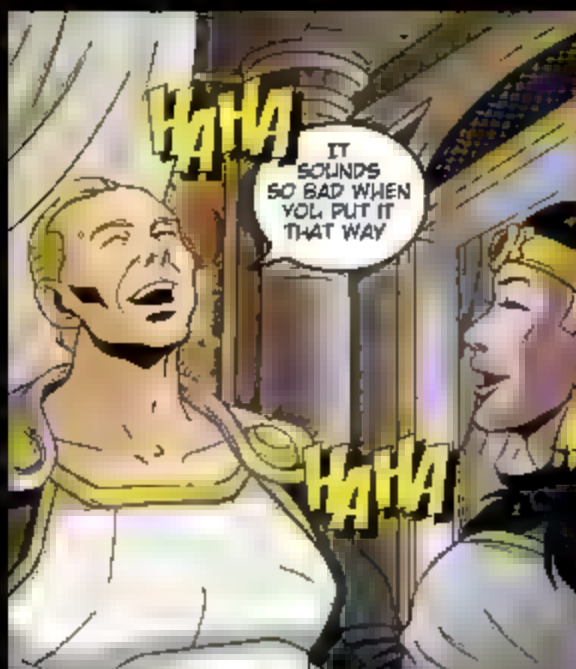
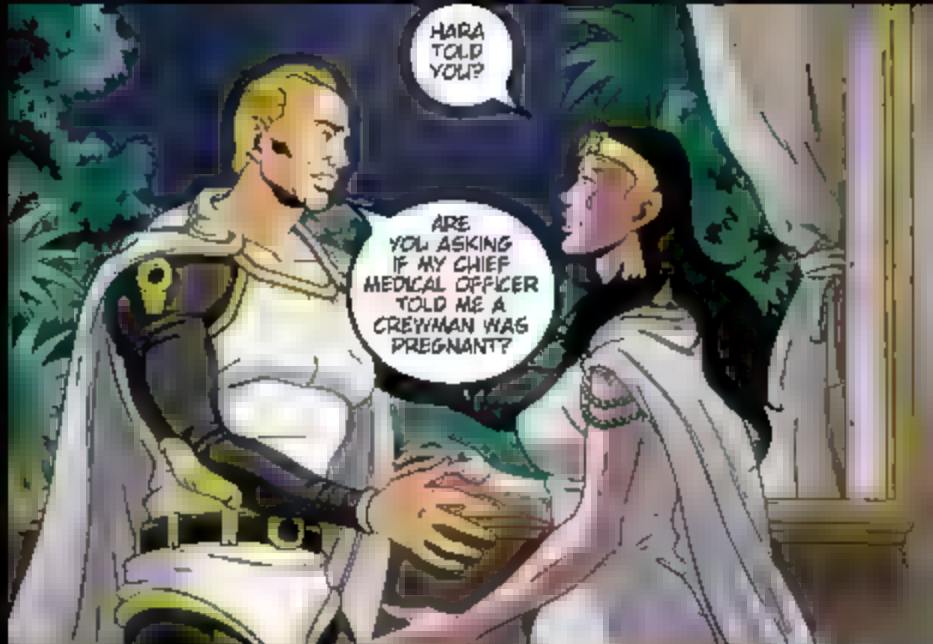
YES
SIR.

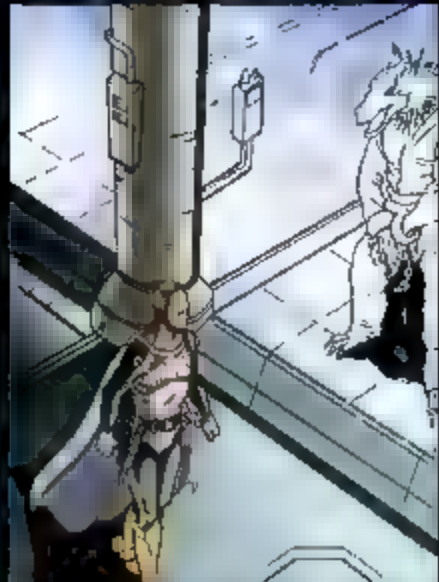
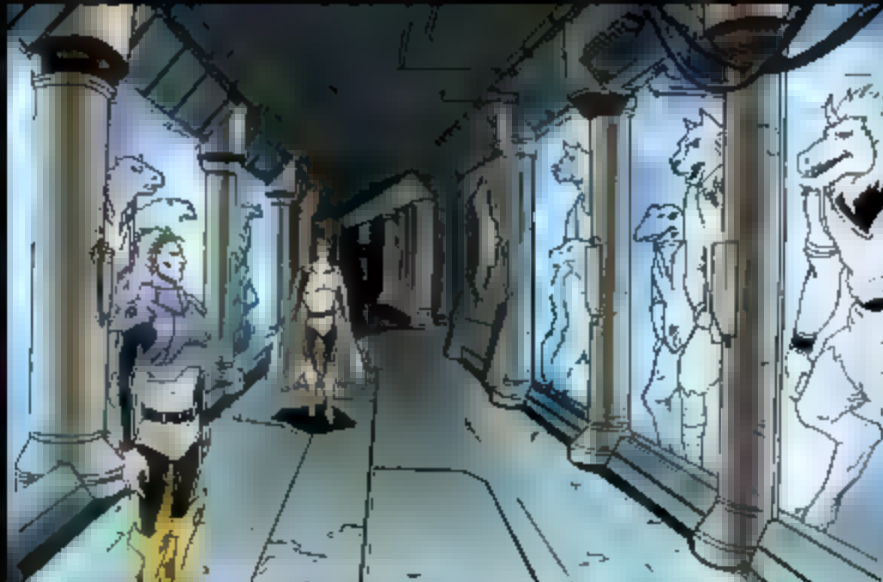
NOW
HOW ABOUT A
CONGRATULATORY
HUG FOR THE
MOM-TO-BE?



I'M
HAPPY
FOR YOU,
WEYLI.

THANK
YOU,
JOAV







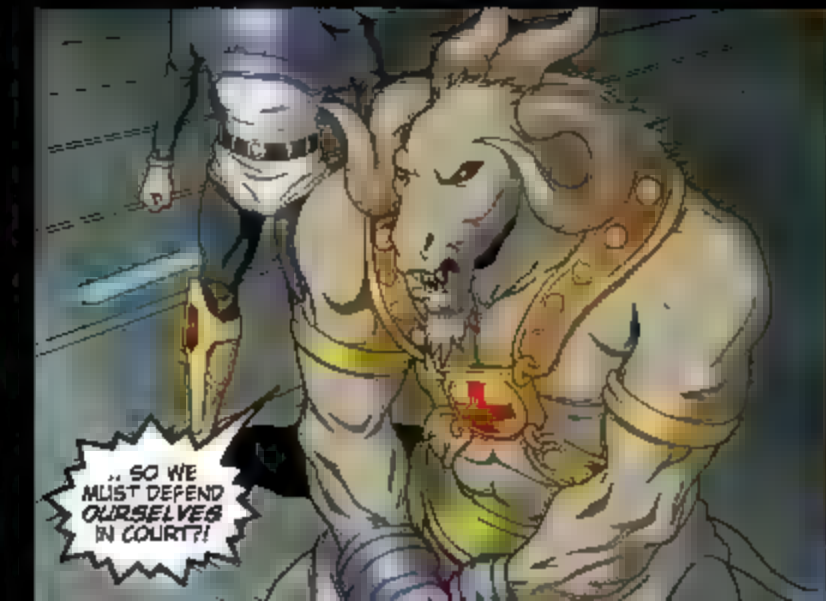
HAPIZ AND
BAAL, YOU ARE
THE ONLY TWO
CAPTURED MEMBERS
OF THE ROYAL
GUARD.

SO YOU
WILL BOTH
BE JUDGED
FIRST.



IF YOU
ARE FOUND
GUILTY, YOU WILL
HAVE THE CHOICE
OF BANISHMENT
TO TARTARUS
OR DEATH.

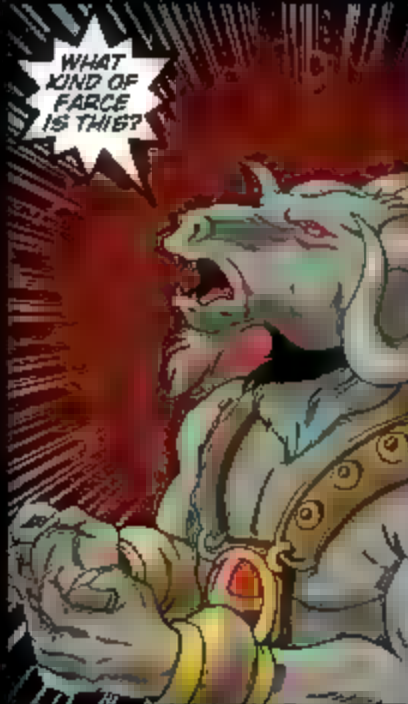
IF YOU
ARE FOUND
INNOCENT, YOU
WILL HAVE TO JOIN
THE HEKATONS IN
SERVICE TO PROVE
YOURSELF WORTHY
OF PARDON.



.. SO WE
MUST DEFEND
OURSELVES
IN COURT?!



YOU
MISLINDER-
STAND.
YOU
DON'T GET
TO DEFEND
YOURSELF.



WHAT
KIND OF
FARCE
IS THIS?



CALM
DOWN,
HAPIZ.

WHAT
SURAS
MEANS
IS THAT YOUR
ACTIONS WILL
BE JUDGED.

BUT
NOT BY
WHAT YOU
SAY.



WE'VE
ASSEMBLED
THE VARIOUS
TELEPATHS AND
PRECOGS FROM
THE OLYMPIANS
AND HEKATON
CREWS.

THESE
MEN AND WOMEN
WILL PROVIDE US
WITH ACCURATE
VIEWS OF YOUR
THOUGHTS AND
DEEDS IN THE PAST,
AS WELL AS AN
INDICATION OF THE
FUTURE.

WE'LL
BE MIND-
LINKED AND
SEE WHAT
THEY SEE.

THIS
WILL HELP
US JUDGE
SWIFTLY AND
CORRECTLY



SHALL
WE
BEGIN?



DO I
HAVE A
CHOICE?

NOT
REALLY,
NO.



BEGIN THE
DELIBERATION
PROCESS,
NOW



Weapon: M'ftet (S'ket's Claws)
Type: Twin arm-mounted claws
Material: Plated alloy with vastedium inner core and edging
Range: Close range only
Rating: Damage Class 500

During the first Holy Day celebration on Earth, S'ket was given a set of claws. The claws consisted of three curved blades that are mounted on bracers. They extend nearly half a meter beyond her wrist. Her wrists and hands are protected from being cut by the blades with a covering. The blades are incredibly light, utilizing a mix of numerous alloys in their construction. There is a vein of vastedium in the core of each claw that extends to the edge, giving them the ability to slice through most materials with ease.

In addition to their offensive capabilities, they provide excellent defensive capacities as well, such as the ability to block oncoming attacks and/or disarm opponents. They mimic her natural style of fighting perfectly. S'ket's named her claws M'ftet, the Nemean word for "righteous vengeance." She named them only after the death of her lover, Jaren, who sacrificed his life for her during the major Egyptian battle with Kronos' forces.



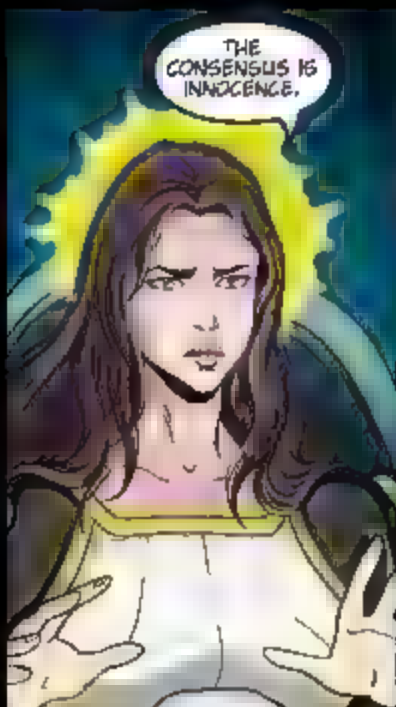


HAPIZ
WAS NOT LOYAL
TO KRONOS DURING
THE WAR. HE WAS
LOYAL ONLY TO
HIS DUTY AND
SHIP...

AND WHILE
IN THE ROYAL
GUARD, HE DID
NOT COMMIT
ANY CRIMES.

HE HAS
NO GREAT
LOVE FOR
KRONOS, NOR
DOES HE HAVE
ANY STRONG
HATRED.

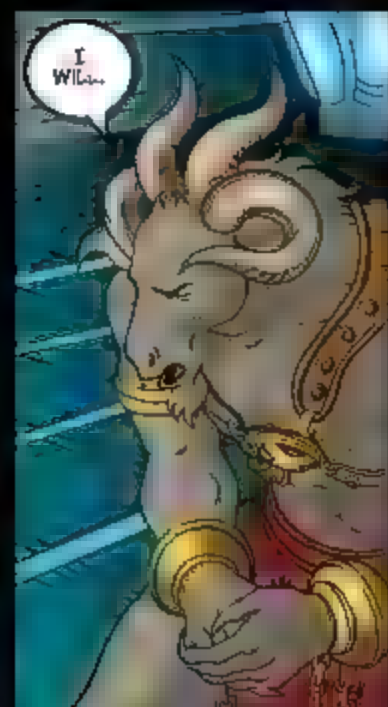
WE SEE
THAT HE ONLY
WISHES TO LIVE
HIS LIFE AND HAS
NO ILL WILL TO
US OR THE
HUMANS.



THE
CONSENSUS IS
INNOCENCE.



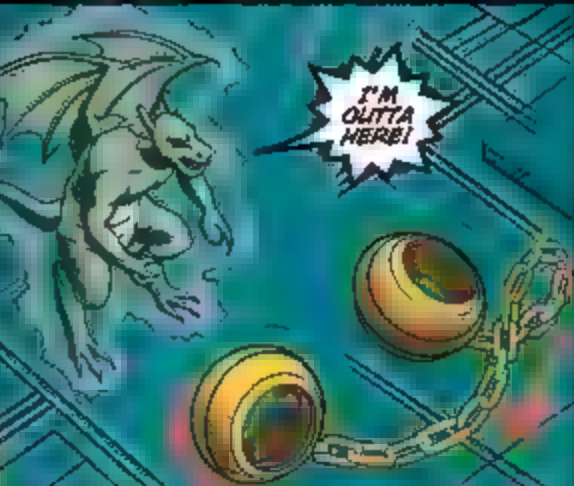
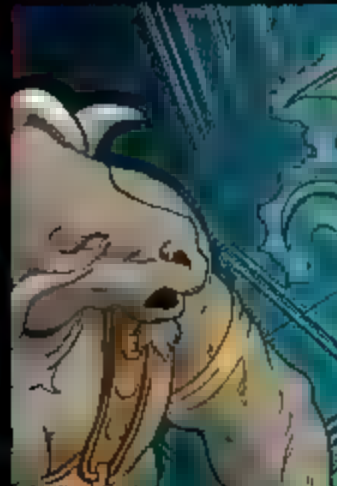
WE
AGREE. WILL
YOU JOIN THE
HEKATONS TO
FURTHER PROVE
YOURSELF
HAPIZ?



I
WILL.



THIS
IS A
JOKE!

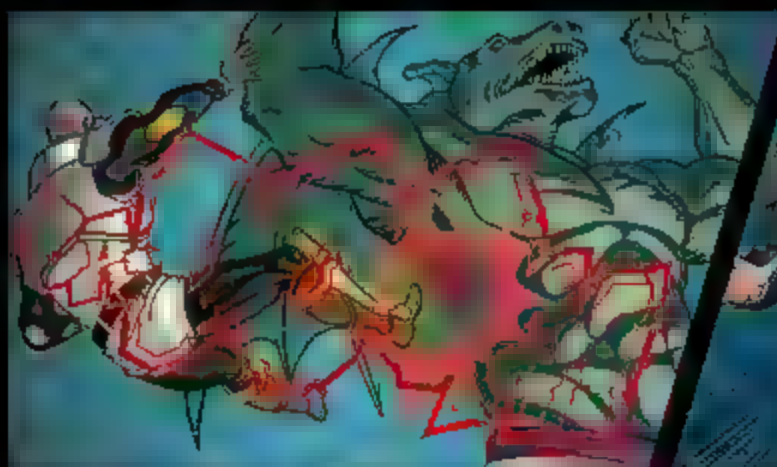
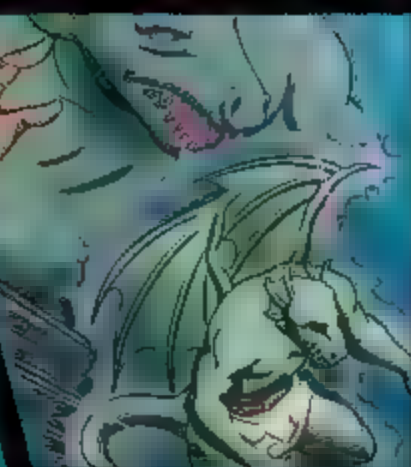


I'M
OUTTA
HERE!



NOT
SO FAST,
LITTLE
GUY

LITTLE?



ENOUGH!



UFF!



DURING
THE WAR,
HE WAS NOBODY
OF ANY GREAT
IMPORTANCE.

BUT
WHILE A
MEMBER OF THE
ROYAL GUARD,
HE COMMITTED
NUMEROUS ACTS
OF CRUELTY

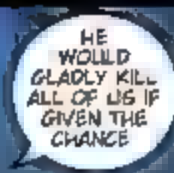
INCLUDING
KILLING SEVERAL
TYTANS WHO
SOUGHT TO
DEFEAT



DESPITE
ORDERS TO
BRING THEM
IN ALIVE.



HE'S
PETTY AND
HIS HEART IS
FILLED WITH
ANGER.



HE
WOULD
GLADLY
KILL
ALL OF US IF
GIVEN THE
CHANCE



ONLY
DARKNESS
AND DEATH
SURROUND HIM.
SHOULD HE BE
ALLOWED TO
REMAIN.



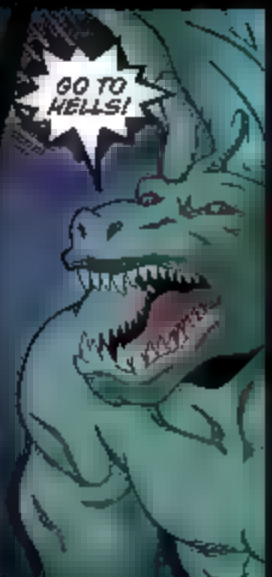
THE
HEKATONS
FIND HIM
GUILTY

THE
TYTANS
FIND HIM
GUILTY.

AND THE
OLYMPIANS
FIND HIM
GUILTY

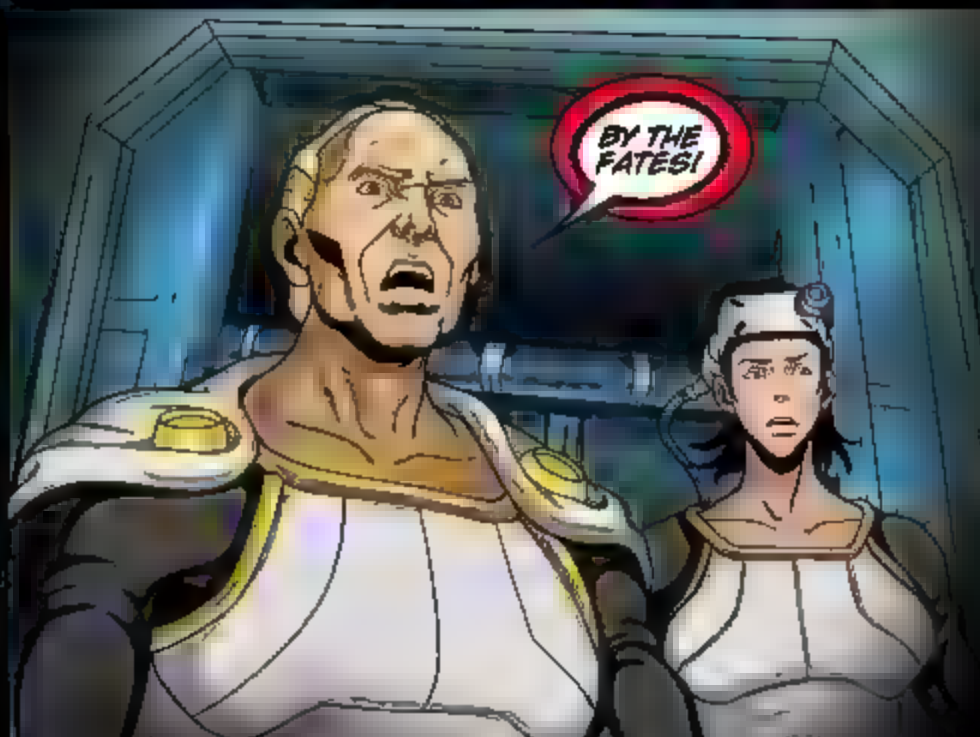


BAA, DO
YOU CHOOSE
BANISHMENT
OR DEATH?



GO TO
HELL!







Weapon:	Nebethet (Hatha's Poleaxe)
Type:	Single-bladed, pole-mounted axe
Material:	Plated alloys with vastedium inner core and edging
Range:	Close range for slash only 100 yards for seismic wave
Rating:	Damage Class 500 - 800

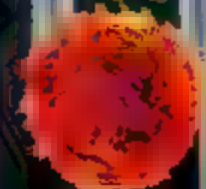
Hatha's axe is a weapon made specifically to utilize her unique abilities. Hatha's has the ability to channel seismic waves, which she primarily utilizes by stomping her hooves on the ground. This is an extremely powerful ability under most circumstances, but in some situations could prove quite limiting.

Upon further testing, it was discovered that she could create the same shockwaves through her hands, but the ability still required a tactile connection to be activated. That's why her axe was created. The axe itself can be used as a simple poleaxe with an extremely sharp edge. However, by channeling her abilities through the axe, she is able to create a blast of air pressure with incredible force. Further, she can use her abilities to augment the damage a strike from her axe can do, causing it to hit with an incredibly explosive force.



HOW'D
WE GET
IN THESE
CLOTHES?

**IT MUST
HAVE BEEN
ALIENS!**



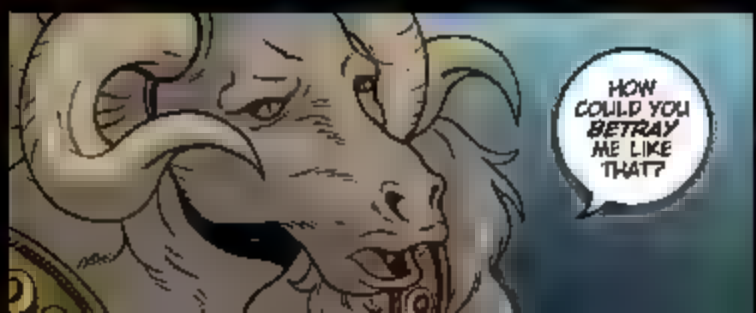
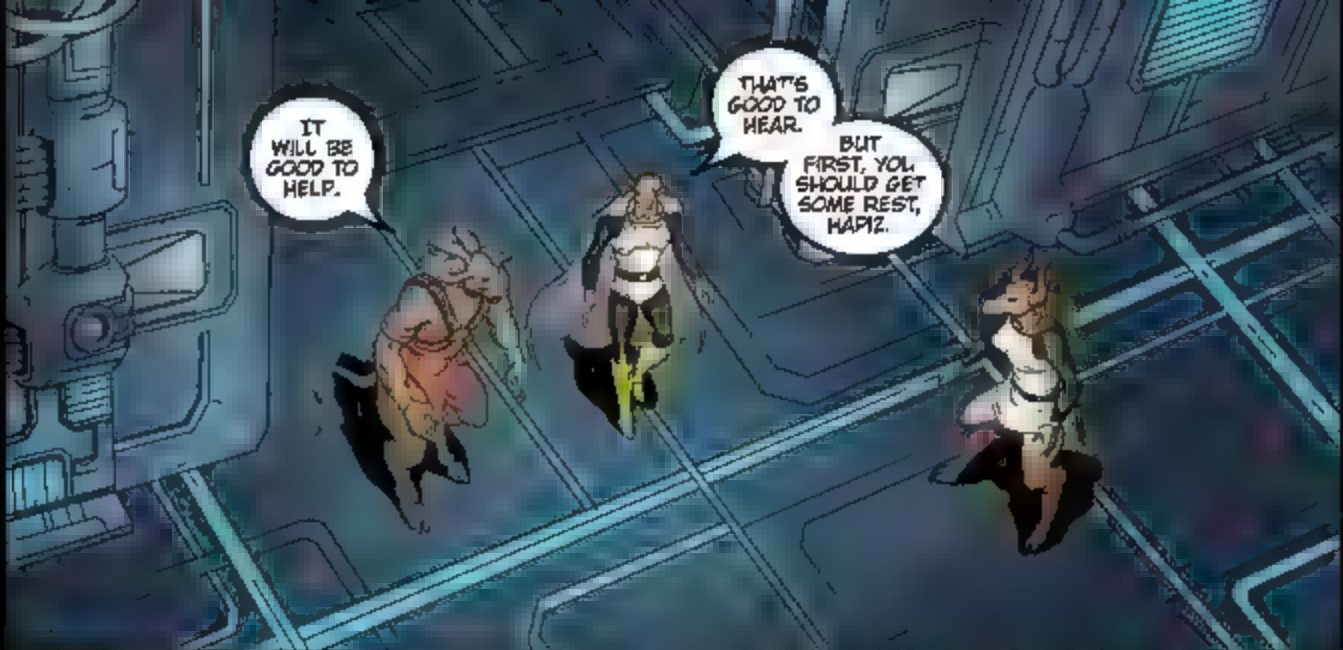
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WHAT DO YOU MEAN BETRAY YOU?



I THOUGHT WE MEANT SOMETHING.

WE DO!

YET YOU NEVER TOLD ME THE TRUTH?

I WAS UNDER ORDERS

I COULD HAVE DIED IN THAT BATTLE.

WOULD YOU HAVE EVEN CARED?



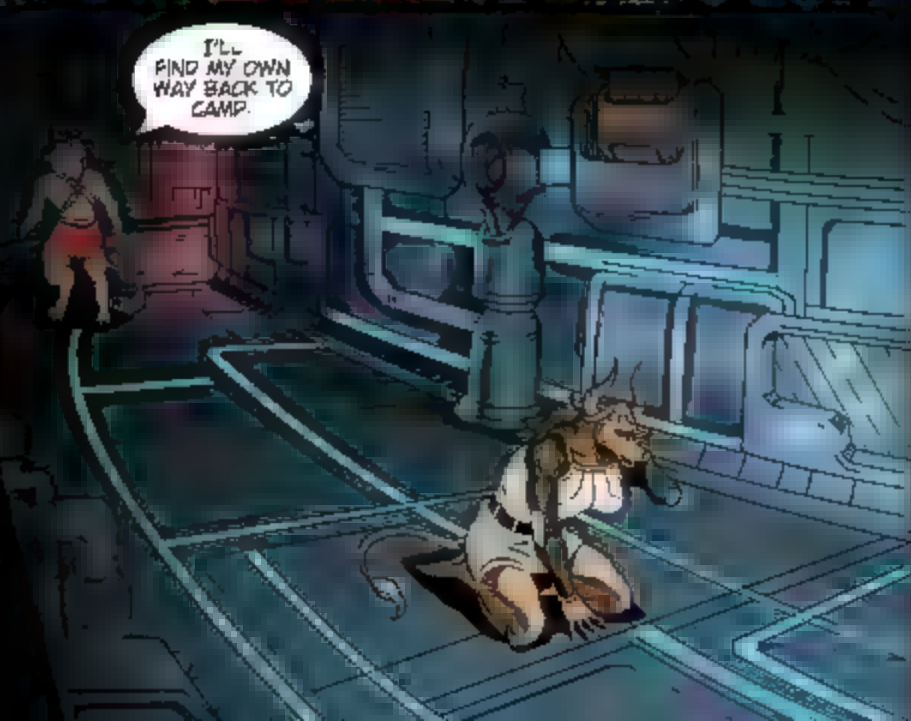
OF COURSE I WOULD!
I PRAYED THE FATES WOULD KEEP YOU SAFE.



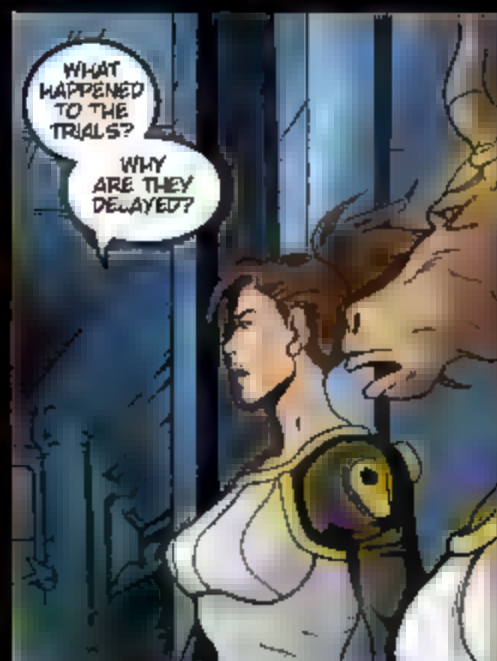
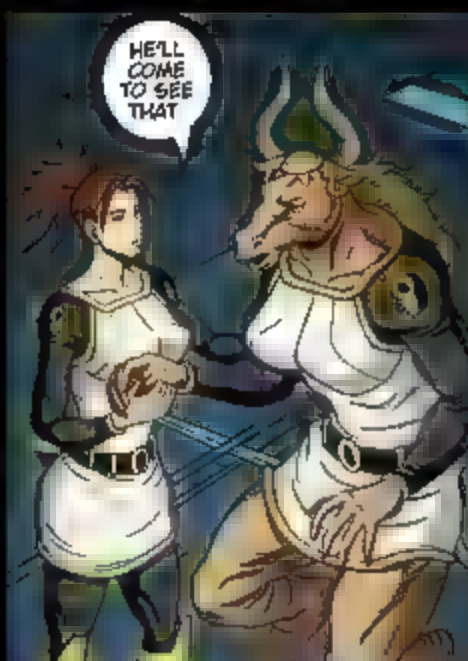
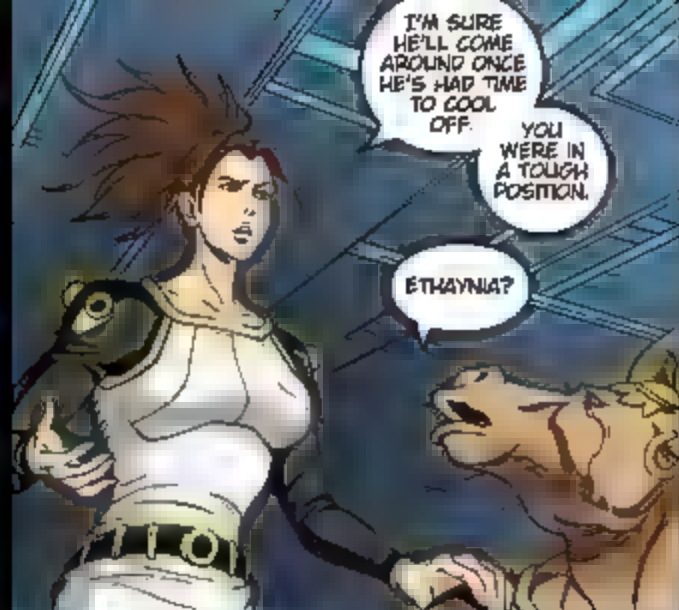
KATHA I...



THE TRUTH COULD'VE KEPT ME SAFE.



I'LL FIND MY OWN WAY BACK TO CAMP.

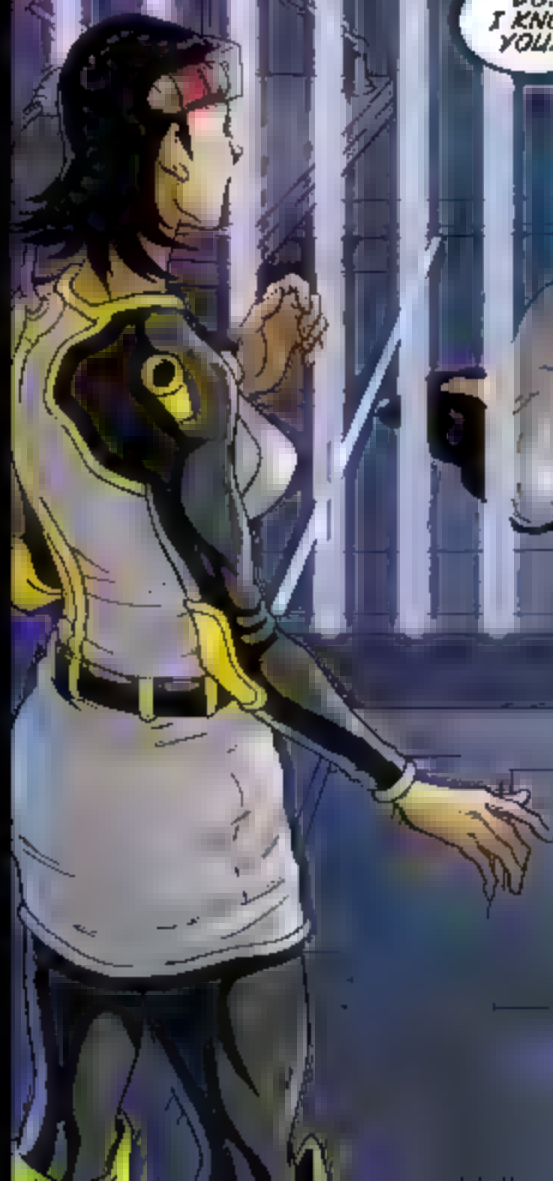


PRODIGAL

STORY & LETTERS	PENCILS	TWINKLE PLANET STUDIOS FINISHES	COLORS
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ANDORA?!

DO..
I KNOW
YOU..?





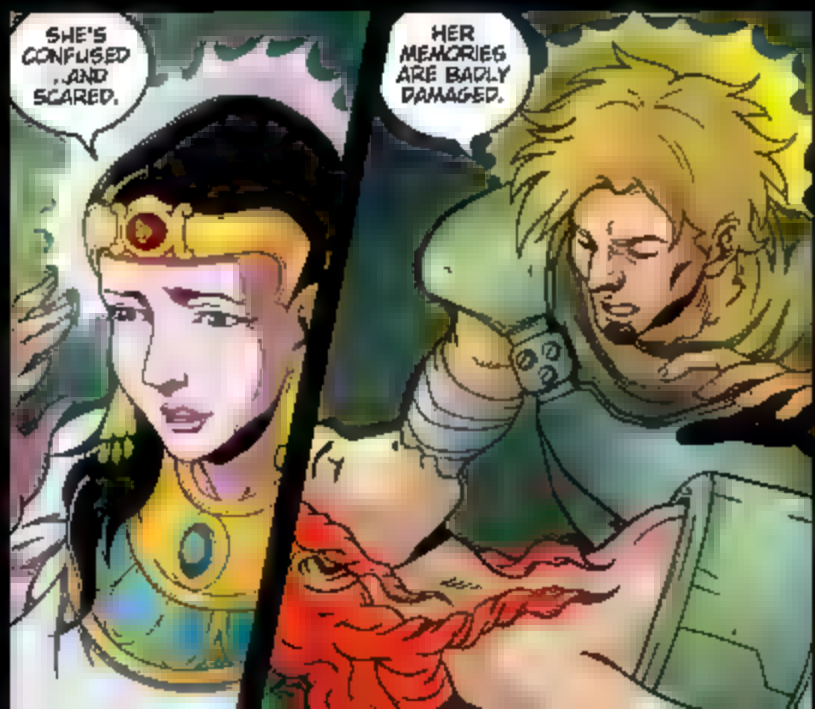
Weapon: Domaklaz (Vilkasis' Sword)
Type: Scimitar
Material: Folded alloys with vastedium inner core and edging
Range: Close range only
Rating: Damage Class 400

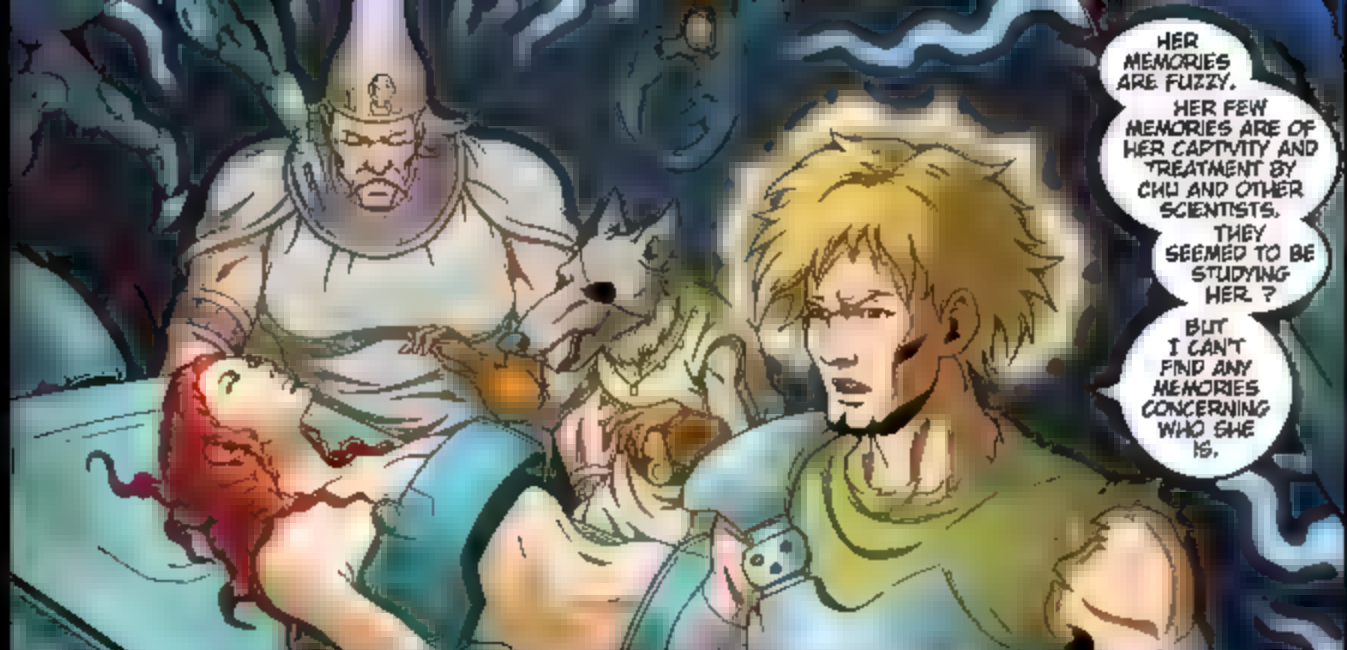
During the first Holy Day celebration on Earth, Vilkasis was presented with a sword tailor made to work with his unique abilities. By channeling and storing a vast charge of his invisibility powers into the blade, it has the capacity to become invisible on its own. Even though Vilkasis' abilities would allow the blade to become invisible, the act required concentration. This would have caused great difficulty in heavy combat situations and was therefore impractical.

By having his blade independently invisible, Vilkasis is able to concentrate on combat and function more effectively. As an added bonus, he is able to carry his blade in a concealed manner despite being visible, himself. This allows him to always remain armed, even if he doesn't seem to be. It is because of this ever-present menace that he named the blade "threat" or Domaklaz in the Anubii language.

**STOP 'DRAGON' YOUR FEET -
BE MY VALENTINE!**





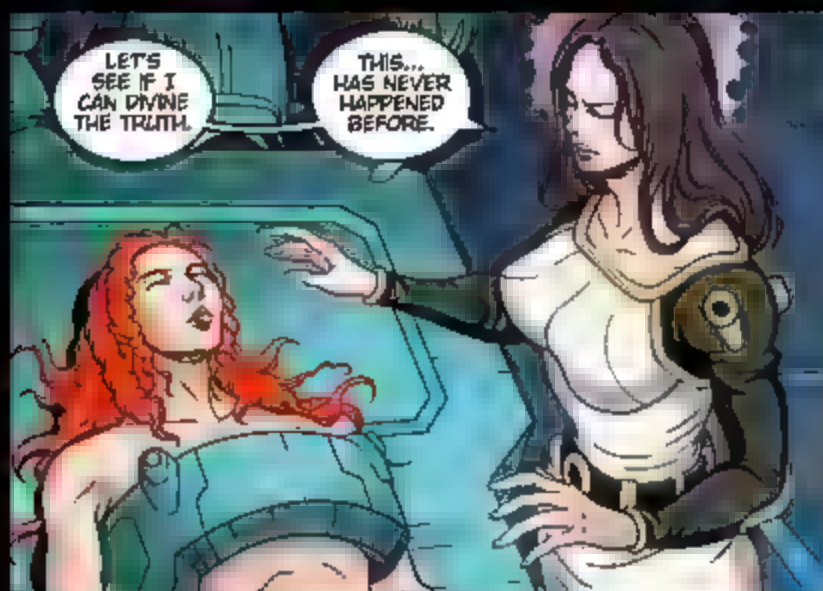


HER
MEMORIES
ARE FUZZY.

HER FEW
MEMORIES ARE OF
HER CAPTIVITY AND
TREATMENT BY
CHU AND OTHER
SCIENTISTS.

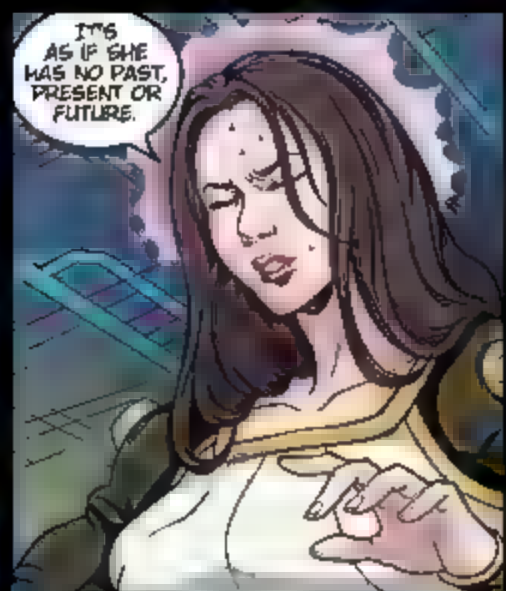
THEY
SEEMED TO BE
STUDYING
HER ?

BUT
I CAN'T
FIND ANY
MEMORIES
CONCERNING
WHO SHE
IS.

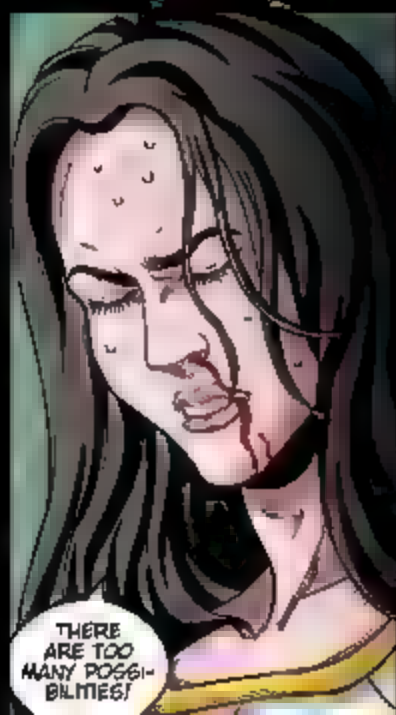


LET'S
SEE IF I
CAN DIVINE
THE TRUTH.

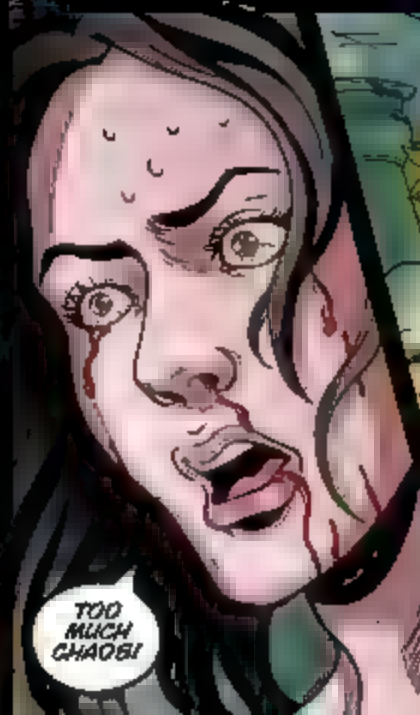
THIS...
HAS NEVER
HAPPENED
BEFORE.



IT'S
AS IF SHE
HAS NO PAST,
PRESENT OR
FUTURE.



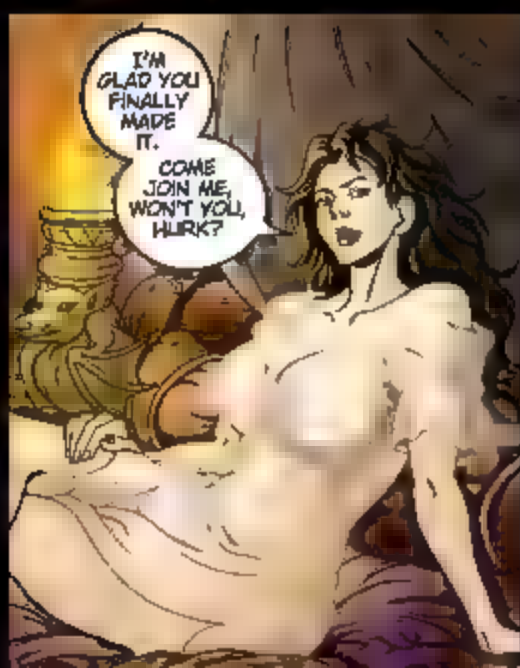
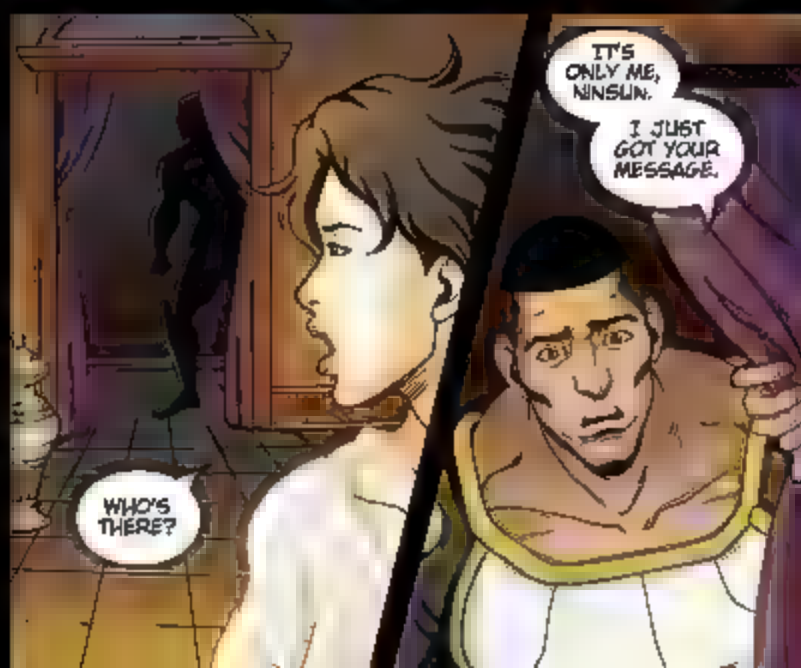
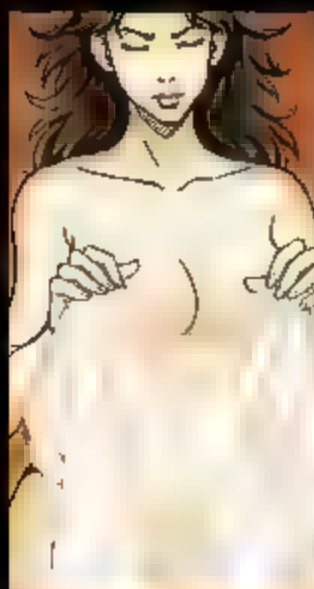
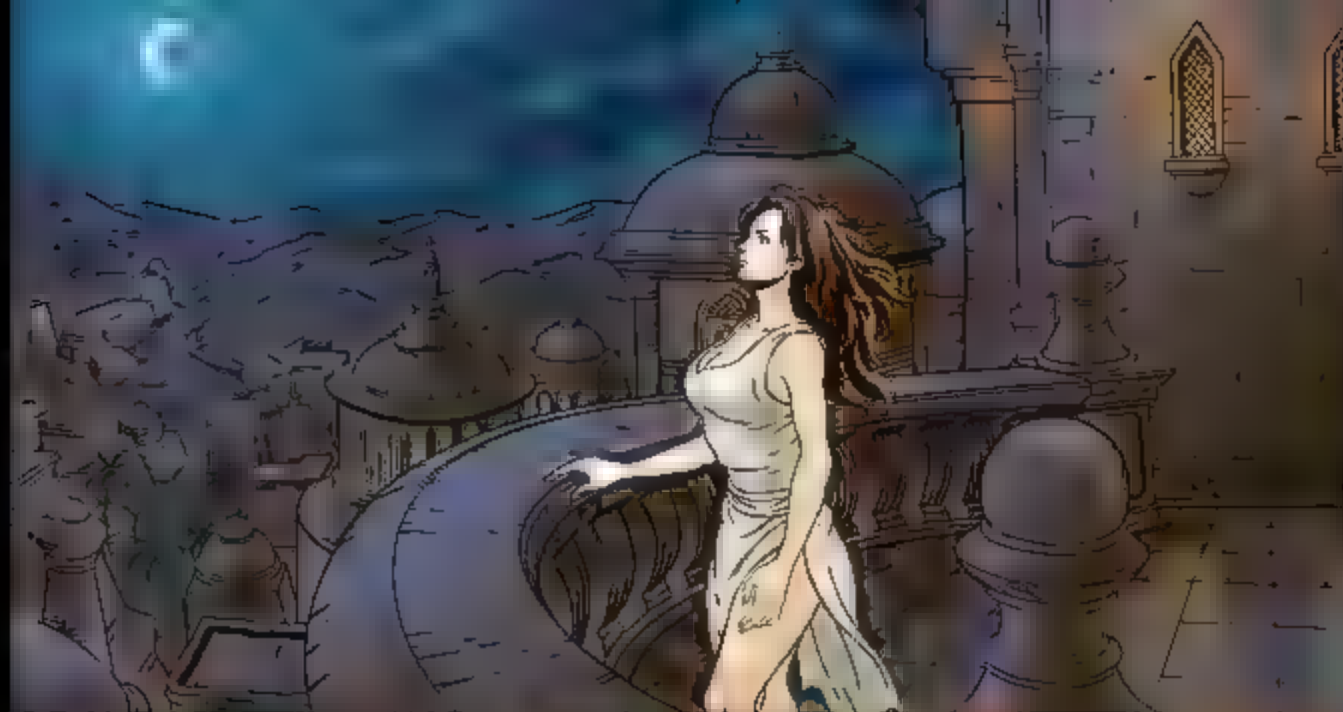
THERE
ARE TOO
MANY POSSI-
BILITIES!



TOO
MUCH
CHAOS!



CASSIE!





I HAVE
SOMETHING
SERIOUS TO
DISCUSS WITH
YOU...



AND
I HAVE
NEWS FOR
YOU AS
WELL.

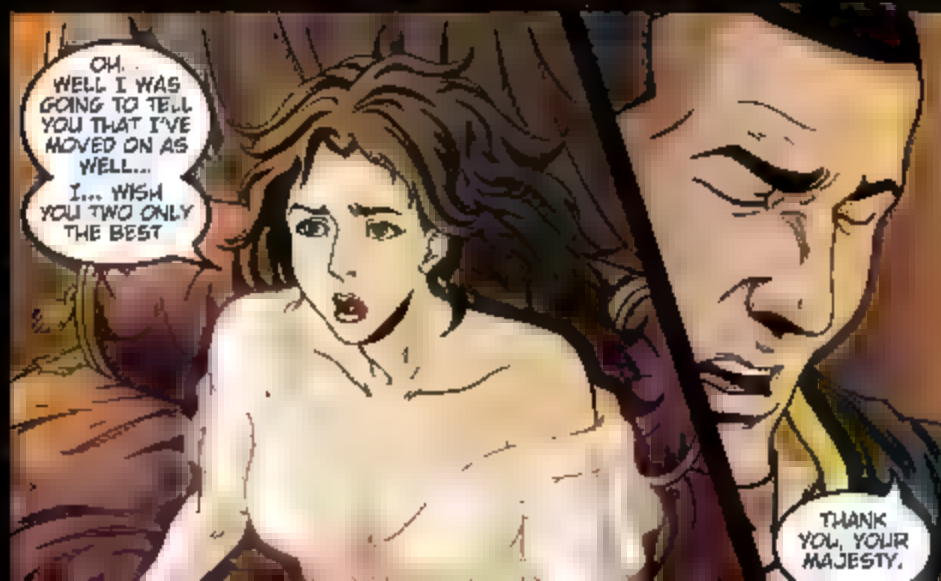
BUT
SAY WHAT
YOU NEED
TO.



I MUST
CONFESS
THAT WHILE
I DO CARE
FOR YOU,
NINSUN...

I'M IN
LOVE WITH
ETHAYNA.

I HAVE
BEEN FOR
YEARS NOW



OH...
WELL I WAS
GOING TO TELL
YOU THAT I'VE
MOVED ON AS
WELL...

I... WISH
YOU TWO ONLY
THE BEST

THANK
YOU, YOUR
MAJESTY.





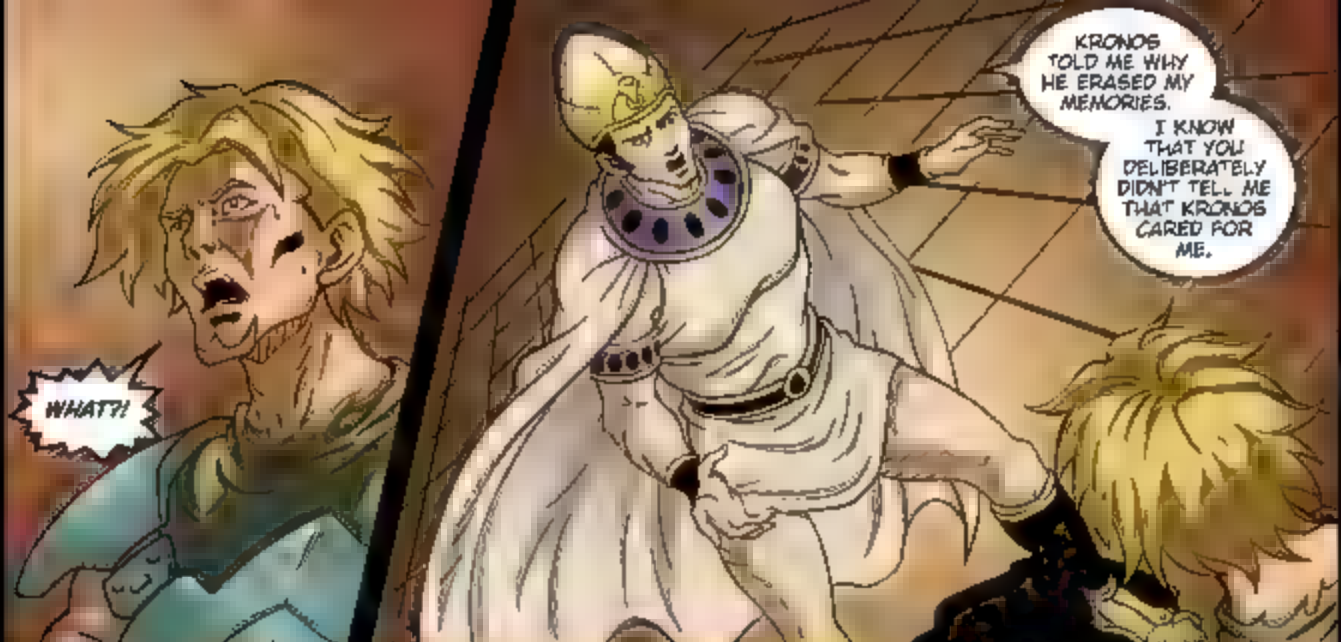
Weapon: Kaskuh and Kusuh (Swords of Luneptis)
Type: Twin crescent swords
Material: Edged vastedium, with dual-balanced multi-alloy core
Range: Close range only for damage
Line-of-sight for effects
Rating: Damage Class 100

Kaskuh and Kusuh are a pair of unique swords that Luneptis received for her first Holy Day gift on Earth. These powerful blades are deadly in combat, but their true power is hidden in their design. While the Vastedium edging and special folding processes used created a powerful pair of swords, it's what they accomplish in Luneptis' hands that really matters.

When held in tandem, these blades act as psychic amplifiers for Luneptis' mental illusions. They increase the range to include any target within her line-of-sight. Further it augments the effectiveness of her abilities to be able to influence tens of thousands of people at once. Most potent of all, once she initiates an illusion, the blades act as a psychic processor that stores the mental commands and extrapolates reactionary protocols. This allows her to create literally thousands of independent illusions that seemingly act on their own







WHAT?!

KRONOS
TOLD ME WHY
HE ERASED MY
MEMORIES.

I KNOW
THAT YOU
DELIBERATELY
DIDN'T TELL ME
THAT KRONOS
CARED FOR
ME.



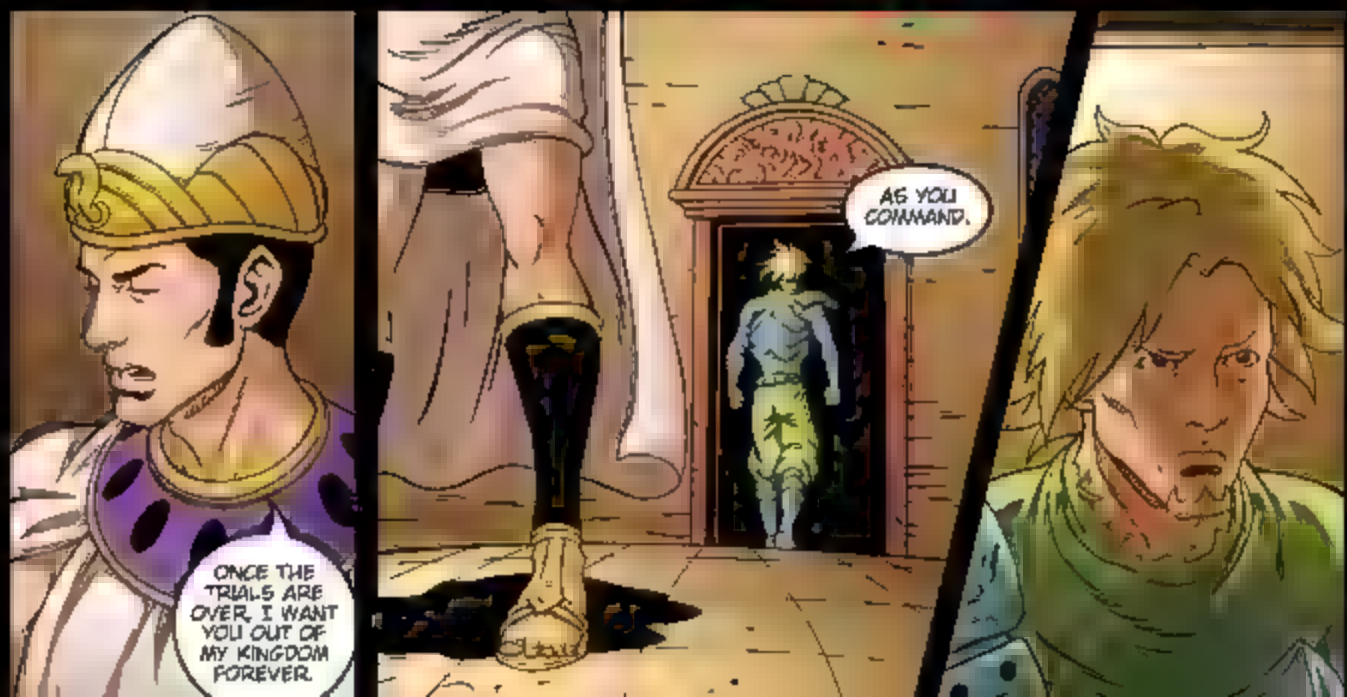
YOU LET
ME BELIEVE
THAT HE WAS
JUST USING
ME

WHAT I
SHOWED WAS
THE TRUTH,
BUT I DIDN'T
WANT TO
CONFUSE
YOU.

YOU
DIDN'T WANT
ME TO SIDE
WITH HIM, YOU
MEAN.
YOU
USED
ME!

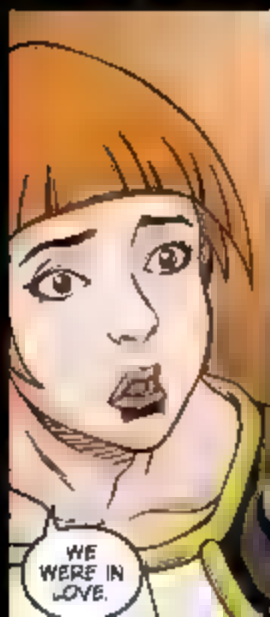
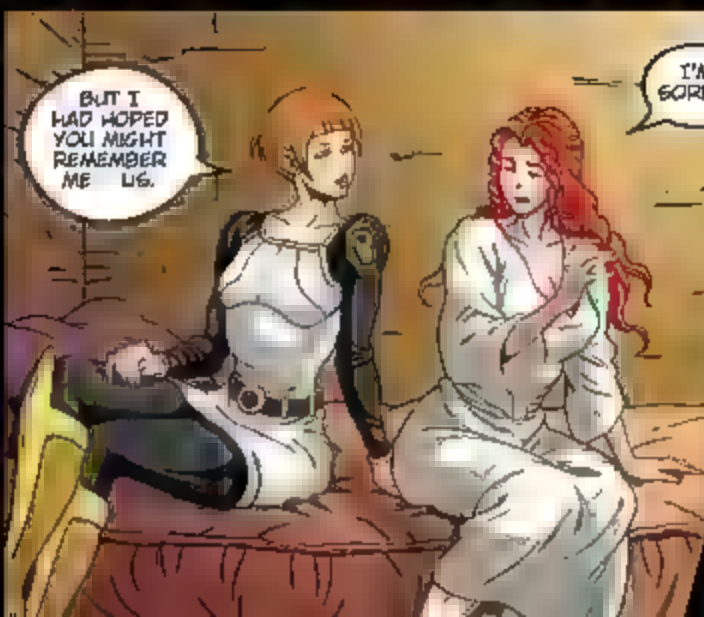
NO
MORE
LIES!

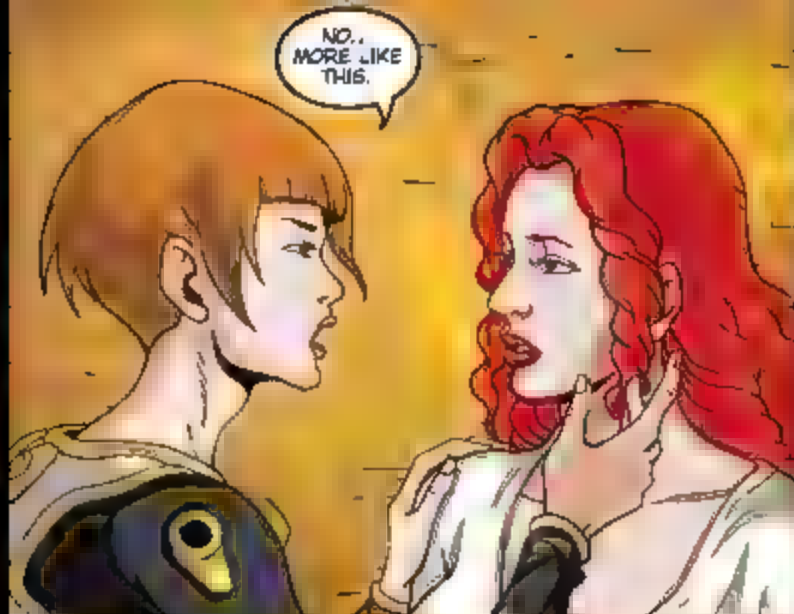
WHAT--
WHAT WILL
YOU DO?



ONCE THE
TRIALS ARE
OVER, I WANT
YOU OUT OF
MY KINGDOM
FOREVER.

AS YOU
COMMAND.





ELSEWHERE AND
WEEKS LATER

THE
PROXIMITY
ALARM IS
GOING OFF
AGAIN.

WHAT
IS IT
THIS
TIME?

LOOKS
LIKE MORE
LOCALS.

I'LL
GO SCARE
THEM
OFF.

HELLO,
TYPHON.
MISS
ME?



Name/Rank:	Ensign Andora?
Position:	Assistant Technician?
Starship:	Ulympea?
Race:	Makayri?
Homeworld:	Loc?

Biography:

Recently, a prisoner was uncovered in a hidden laboratory deep within the Tytan, by Hara. She found a being that appears to be Andora. Andora had been part of a mission to infiltrate the Tytan camp and recover the Star Core. While the mission was a success, it came at the cost of Andora's seeming demise. The tests all seem to indicate that this is indeed Andora, however there still remains some doubt. Her memories were seemingly wiped, but she's since displayed at least some memories in regard to Metre.

Personality Profile:

Andora's trademark mischievous behavior is not present in this being... however given the mistreatment and memory loss, it's little wonder. Whether the memory loss was due to the machinations of Doctor Chu or a byproduct of her "resurrection" remains to be seen.

Powers / Abilities:

The real Andora has the ability to perfectly mimic other beings, taking the shape, voice, size and mannerisms of whatever form she chooses. So far this power has not manifested itself in the being they rescued. If it is indeed the real Andora, Hara has an unorthodox theory for her escape from death despite the removal of her head. Because Andora can shift parts of her anatomy, she would have been able to move her brain to a protected part of her body. Hestya backs up this theory by recounting a discussion they had previously had. If so, then as Andora regains her memories, she's likely to still possess her shape-changing abilities as well.



As has been repeatedly established, the process of development for Wayward Sons was a long and exhaustive one. Even after we found Weilin Yang, we still needed to establish the characters. Two of our central characters, Suras and Kronos, were the most difficult to nail. As can be seen above (Suras on the left and Kronos on the right) the early attempts just weren't right.

I always felt that a receding hairline would be something unique for him to possess. But the first attempt was far too old and far too bald. Suras needed to still be vital despite being older so this would be refined over time.

Kronos, on the other hand was way off. He needed to be menacing, yet charismatic. Unfortunately the first draft of him ended up looking comical and disturbingly a lot like Larry Fine of the "Three Stooges." One other element missing was Kronos' trademark scar. I wanted the scar to be added and specified the shape... a sickle. For those familiar with mythology, you'll understand why that touch was poignant.

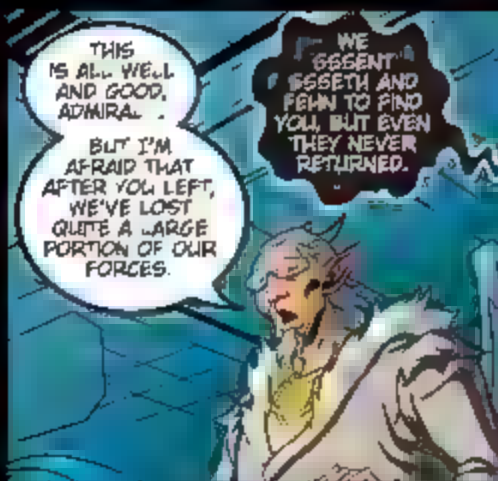


BEFORE
WE BEGIN, I'D
LIKE TO INTRODUCE
YOU ALL TO
MIANG.

HE IS
TO BE TRUSTED
WITH ALL THAT WE
DISCUSS.



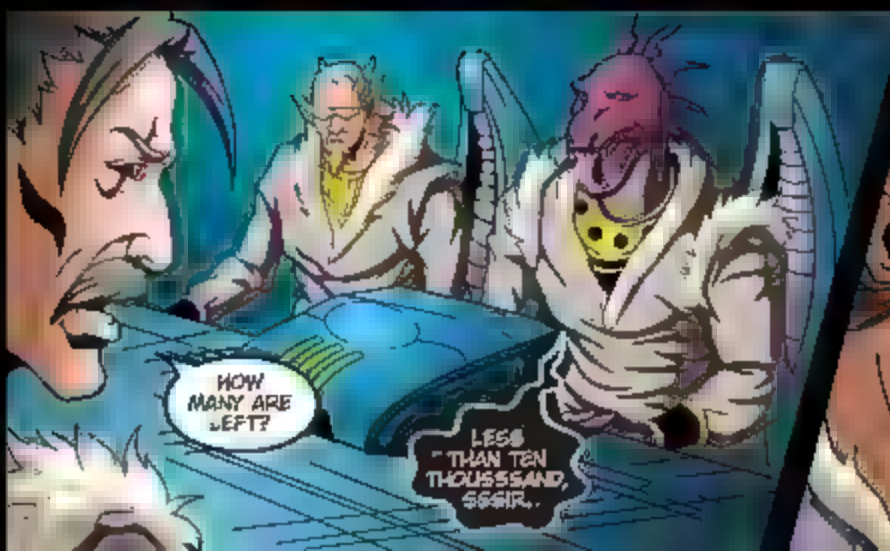
WM,
HELLO.



THIS
IS ALL WELL
AND GOOD,
ADMIRAL.

BUT I'M
AFRAID THAT
AFTER YOU LEFT,
WE'VE LOST
QUITE A LARGE
PORTION OF OUR
FORCES.

WE
GGENT
SSSETH AND
FEW TO FIND
YOU, BUT EVEN
THEY NEVER
RETURNED.



HOW
MANY ARE
LEFT?

LESS
THAN TEN
THOUSAND,
SSGIR.



IT
DOESN'T
MATTER.



IN MY TIME AWAY, I CAME TO REALIZE WE'D MADE MISTAKES.

NO LONGER WILL OTHERS BE FORCED TO FOLLOW ME.

AND THOSE WHO DO REMAIN WILL FIND THAT OUR MISSION HAS CHANGED.



WHAT ARE YOU SSSAYING, KRO-?

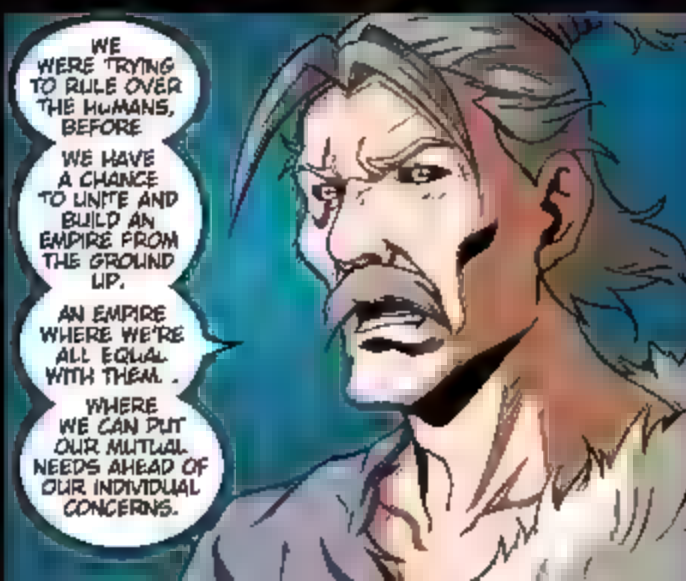


NO! FOR ONE THING, MY NAME IS NOW YAN.

I HAVE A NEW NAME TO MATCH MY NEW PURPOSE.



THANKS TO HUANG, I NOW SEE WHERE WE WENT WRONG.



WE WERE TRYING TO RULE OVER THE HUMANS, BEFORE

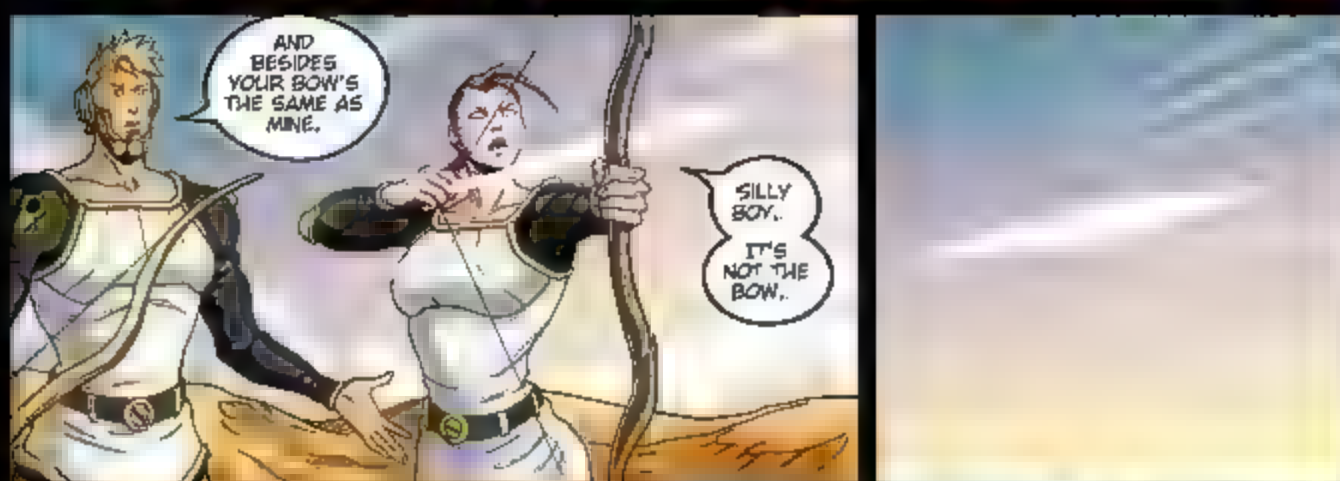
WE HAVE A CHANCE TO UNITE AND BUILD AN EMPIRE FROM THE GROUND UP.

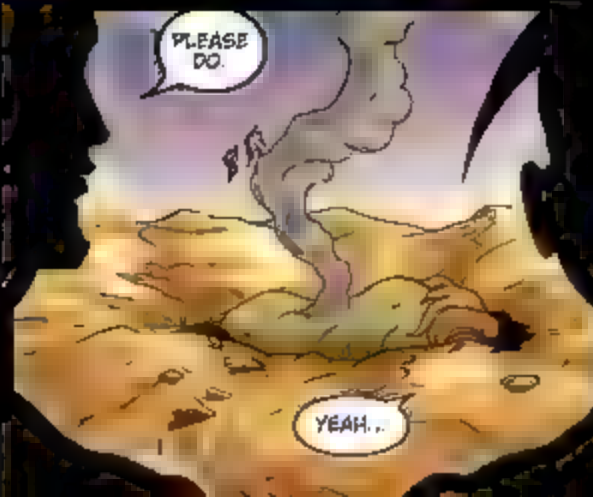
AN EMPIRE WHERE WE'RE ALL EQUAL WITH THEM.

WHERE WE CAN PUT OUR MUTUAL NEEDS AHEAD OF OUR INDIVIDUAL CONCERNS.



WHERE WE CAN ALL SERVE THE GREATER GOD.







HARD
TO BELIEVE
TODAY'S THE
DAY

I KNOW

EVEN
THOUGH
I CAN SEE
THE FUTURE, I
WAS BEGINNING
TO WONDER IF
IT'D EVER
COME.



HELLO
LADIES!

MISS
ME?

WELCOME
BACK!



THE
HUNTING
TRIP WAS A
SUCCESS.

WE
ROLINDED
UP, S'FINKS
WHO HAD BEEN
TERRORIZING
SOME OF THE
NATIVES.



GOOD
TO LEAVE
ON A HIGH
NOTE.

IT WILL BE
GOOD TO GET
BACK TO THE
JILYMPA.

I MISS
IT ..

IT'S
THE CLOSEST
WE HAVE TO
HOME.

BUT
IT FEELS
WEIRD TO
LEAVE.

THERE
ARE SO
MANY TYTANS
STILL ON
THE LOOSE.

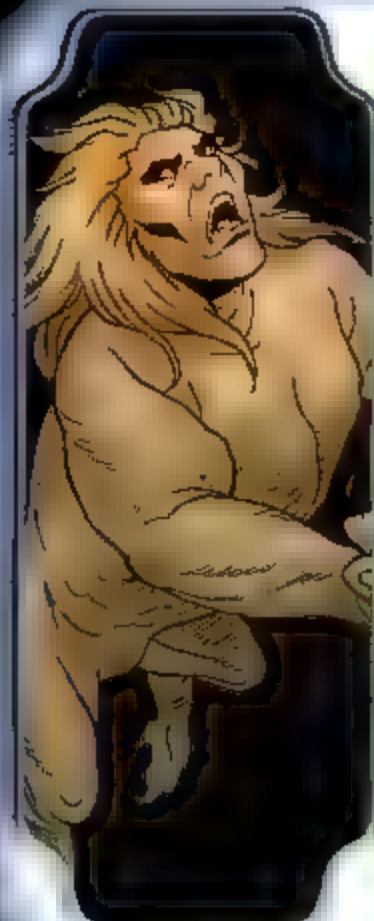


WE'RE
NOT LEAVING
THESE PEOPLE
DEFENSE-
LESS.

BUT
WE NEED A
REST ... IT'S
OFTEN GOOD TO
MAKE A FRESH
START



FUNNY
YOU SHOULD
MENTION
THAT



Name/Rank:	S'finks
Position:	Watchtower Guardian
Starship:	Tytan Prisoner
Race:	Nemean
Homeworld:	Nemea

Biography:

S'finks was a research analyst aboard the Nemean vessel, M'takor, before the Civil War. During the war, his role was phased out and he was transferred into the security forces where he served as a guard for prisoners. When he arrived on earth, his transformation brought him to the attention of Typhon. He quickly assigned him to join the Watchtower guards as a sentry, a frustrating duty for a scholar. After Kronos' defeat, most of the Watchtower guards fled. S'finks decided to remain in the region, causing trouble for the locals.

Personality Profile:

S'finks was most content studying books and ancient texts from numerous worlds. When he was removed from his library, he became irritable and would often use his position as a guard to torture prisoners in a bizarre manner. He would pose logic problems and trivia questions to them, and beat them if they were unable to answer. He has an obsession with riddles and puzzles.

Powers / Abilities:

S'finks was born with a photographic memory and was always devoted to pursuits of knowledge. When he transformed into a twenty meter tall, misshapen version of himself, his ability to indulge in his favorite pastimes became extremely limited. His new form is built to better support his increased mass. His strength is incredible, and he could be stronger than Hurk. His hide is almost rock-like in its density, and Ipalyo's arrows bounced harmlessly off him. The areas around his joints and eyes are his only "soft" spots.



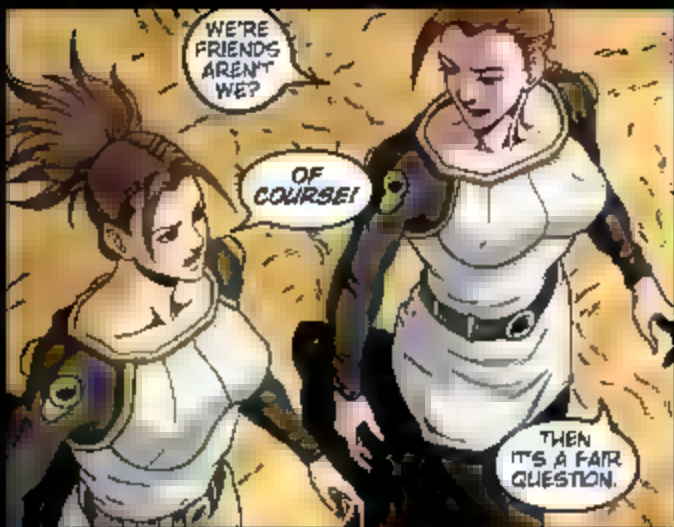
In exceedingly rare circumstances, Weilin will misinterpret what I mean in a script. Most of the time, the changes necessary are minor, or affect only one or two panels. But sometimes the entire page and hard work goes to waste.

Such was the case with Issue #13, page 10 (as seen on Sept 19, 2011 in the archives). The scene required for them to be feeding their energy through stations to power the shield. Unfortunately, what came out looked like they were worshipping some strange technological idol. Not at all what I was going for, so a complete redo was required. But here at least we can see and appreciate all of his hard work.



I WAS WONDERING WHY YOU HAVEN'T FORGIVEN HURK YET?

I DON'T SEE HOW THAT IS ANY CONCERN OF YOUR'S...



WE'RE FRIENDS AREN'T WE?

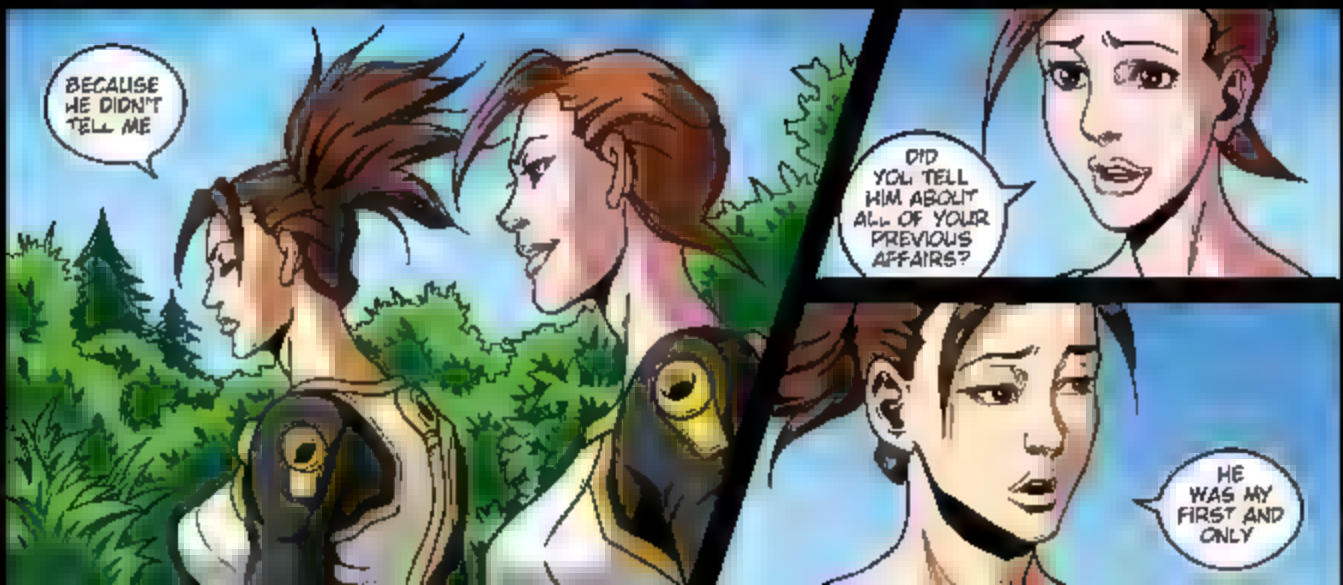
OF COURSE!

THEN IT'S A FAIR QUESTION.



I JUST DON'T KNOW IF I CAN EVER TRUST HIM AGAIN.

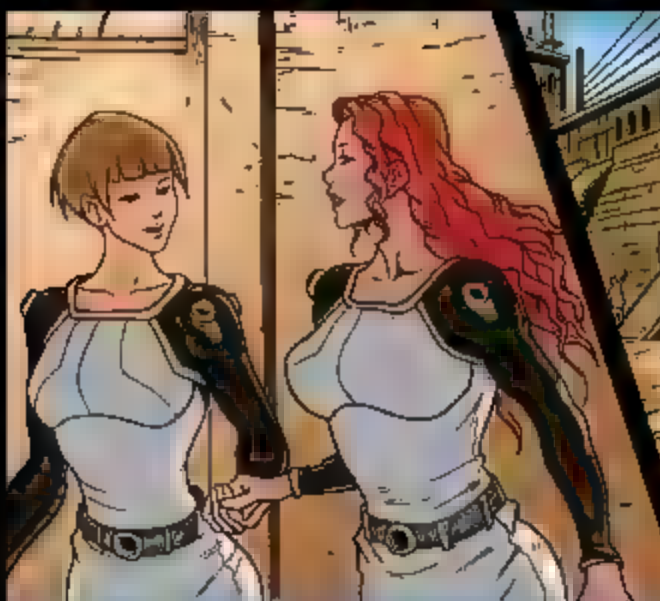
BECAUSE HE HAD A RELATIONSHIP BEFORE YOU GUYS GOT TOGETHER?

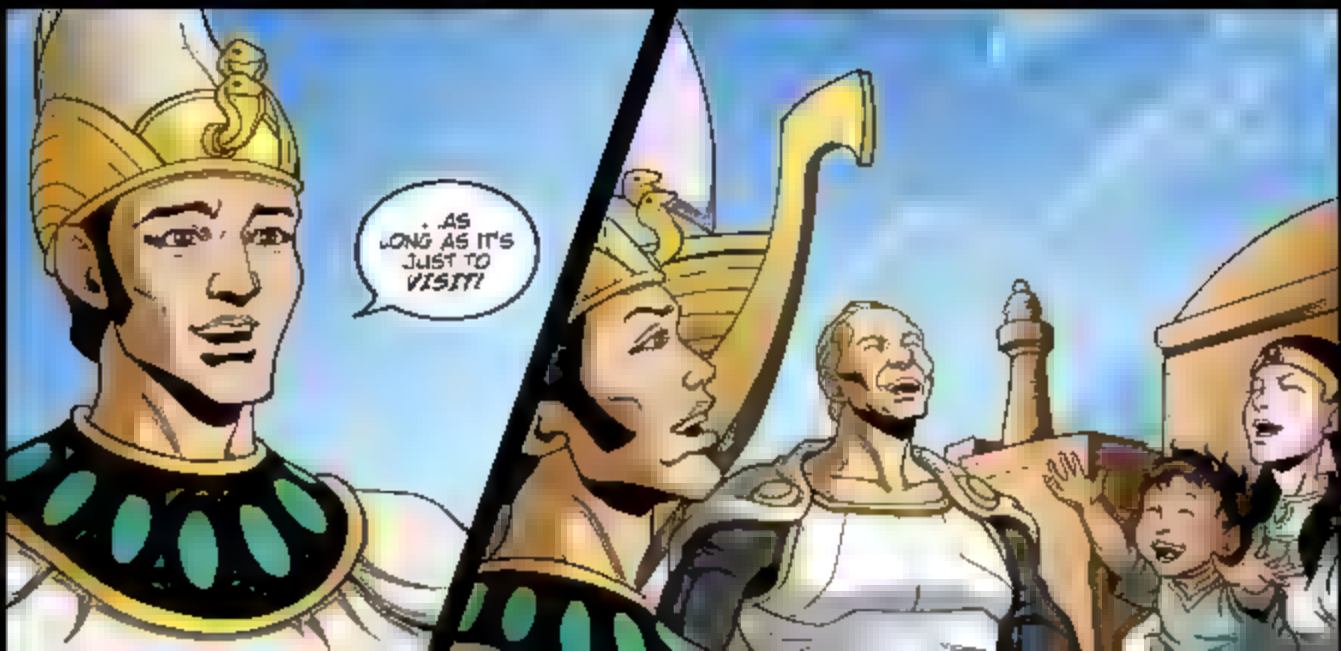
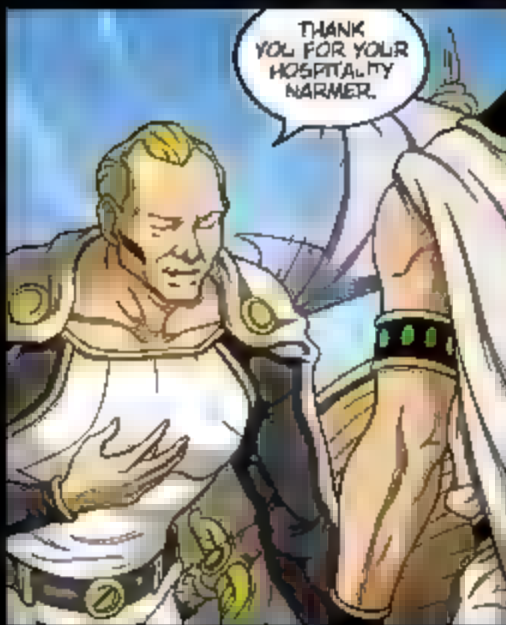
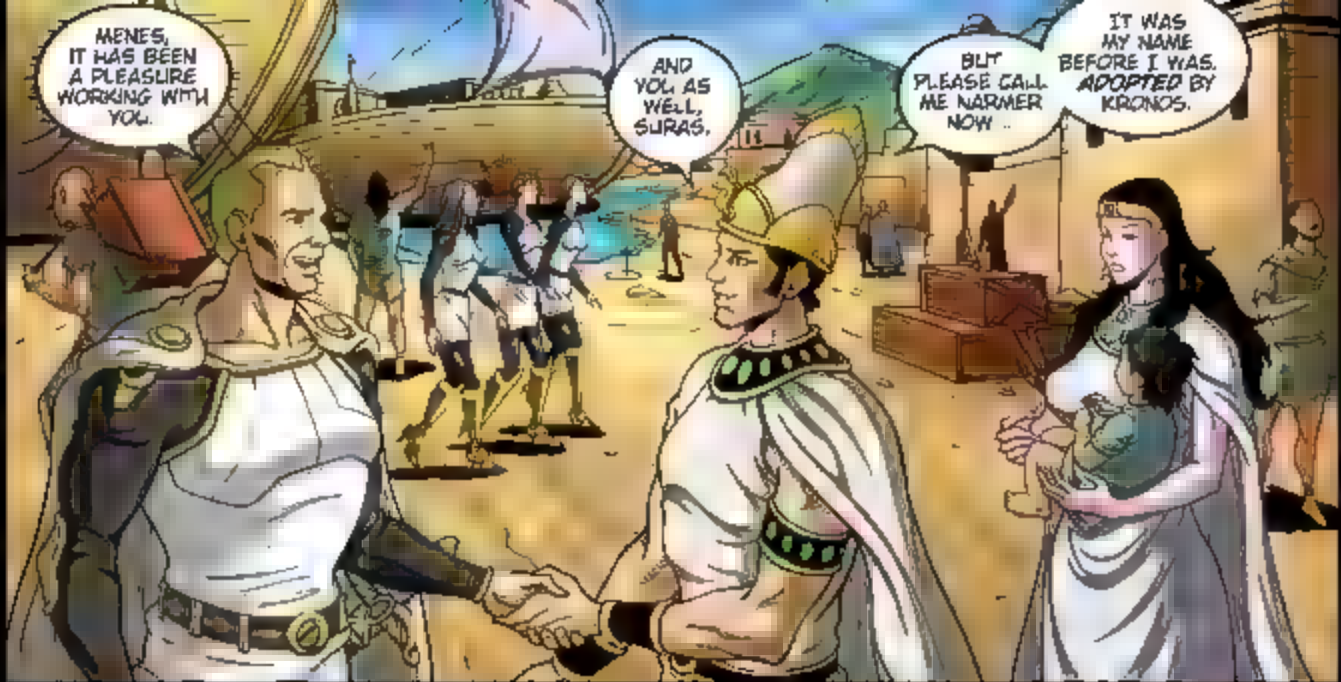


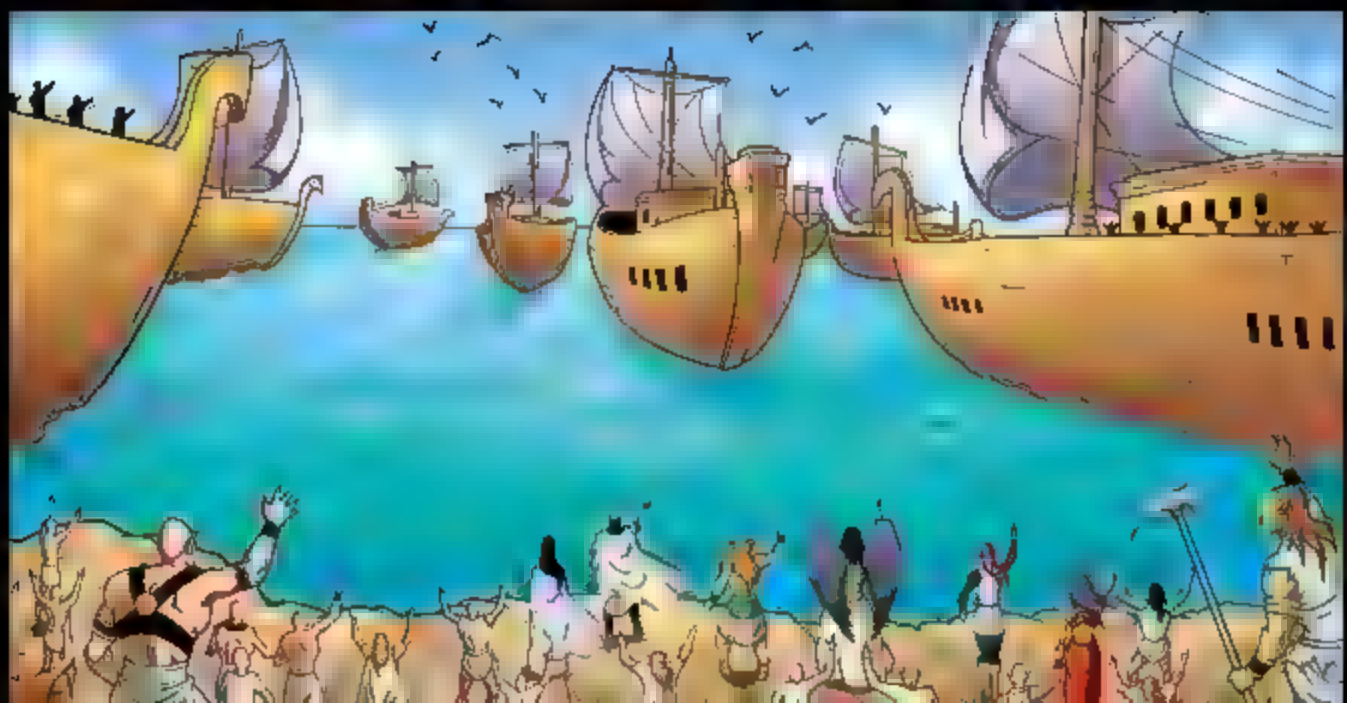
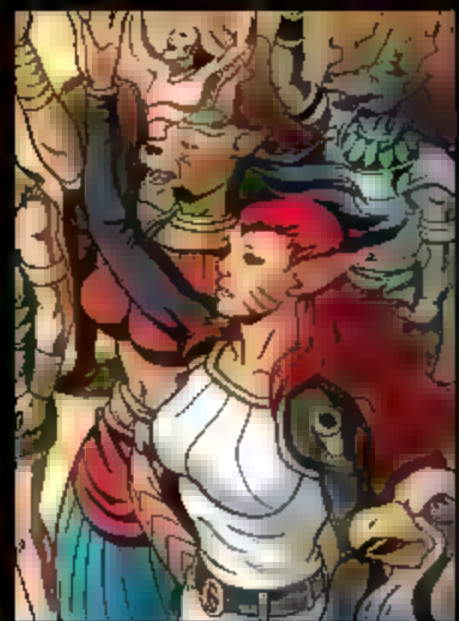
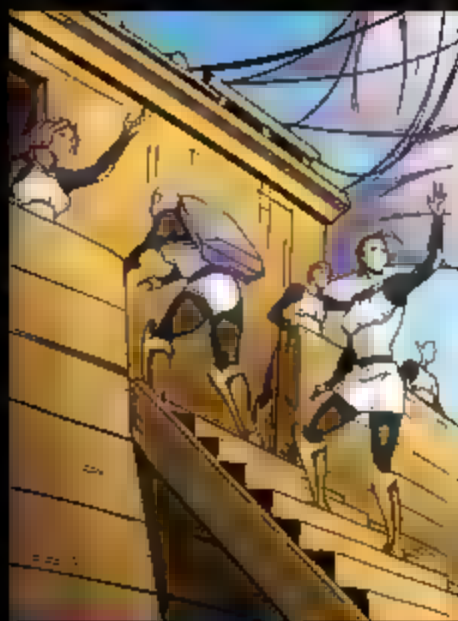
BECAUSE HE DIDN'T TELL ME

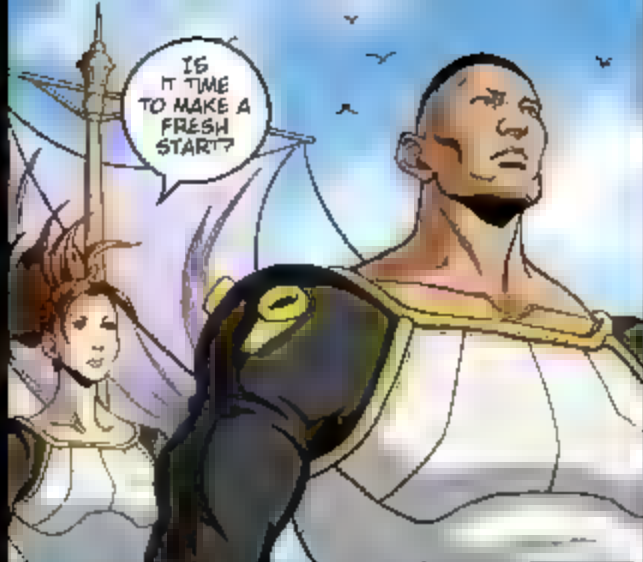
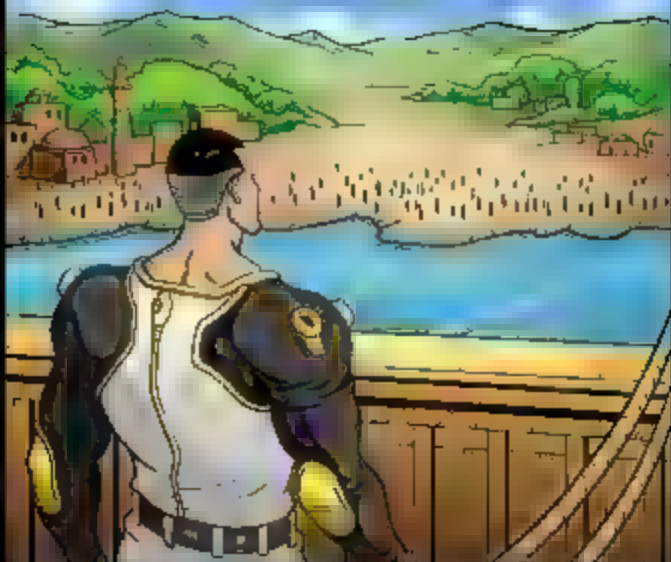
DID YOU TELL HIM ABOUT ALL OF YOUR PREVIOUS AFFAIRS?

HE WAS MY FIRST AND ONLY











Name/Rank: Huang
Race: Human
Homeworld: Earth

Biography:

Huang was a simple farmer in ancient China, around 2950 BC. His fate changed the day his family saw a falling star crash into the snowy mountainous region near his home. Upon investigating they came across the prone form of Kronos, who lay dying face down. They saved him and nursed him back to health, but were soon rewarded for this act by having their homes burned down by one of the many tribal lords in the region. Kronos destroyed those responsible and promised that no further harm would come to him or his family again. Since then, Huang has become Kronos' right-hand man, and is considered his equal.

Personality Profile:

Huang is a good-natured and caring father, husband and friend. He believes strongly in the the power of community and strength of the family unit. It is his belief that all beings are created equal, and that they should serve the greater good of the collective mankind rather than selfish individual needs. Still, he sees the need for good and strong leadership devoted to this goal. It is by his example that Kronos (now known as Yan) is now taking the Tytans and his own people.

Abilities:

Huang has no formal military training, but he has a sharp mind and a thirst for knowledge that allows him to absorb and adapt to the situations he finds himself in. He was unphased by the many alien Tytans he met, and instantly found himself relating to each of them as he would any other person. He is charismatic and his passion is infectious because his beliefs are genuine. Even many of the more hardened Tytans have been won over by this simple human man with a big heart.



VERSION 1 -

When designing the double-agent "Guardians" they were to be inspired by Egyptian myths. The first pass by Weilin was close, but half of them still needed a lot of work.

Reyoris I wanted to be like a Falcon, yet somehow he became a buzzard. Hatha was a cow, but her face was too human, and Vilkasia looked more like a cow than a dog. So I asked Weilin to go back to the drawing board on them.

VERSION 2 -

In his second pass, we got much closer, but I felt that we still had some work to do. Vilkasia looked too similar to Fehn, and I wanted his ears to be more like Anubis.

Hatha was very close, but her nose being closed like it was made her look like too comical.

Reyoris was close but looked more like an eagle than a falcon. So once more to the drawing board



VERSION 3 -

Now we were getting very close. Hatha was pretty much done, for instance and both of the other guys were almost there as well.

Vilkasia I mentioned that I liked the skullcap on top of his head from the previous version and to bring it back.

Reyoris was good in the face, but I wanted the traditional falcon-like markings and not the hood that Weilin added.



VERSION 4 -

And here is the final version of everyone in the pencil stage. Normally we do character designs outside of the pages themselves, but we didn't have time with these. We were fast approaching Chinese New Year, so we rushed through these off the cuff. The results, however, were several unique "non-human-looking" members of the Olympians.. something we hadn't seen much of up until this point. Of course, that was the surprise at the time..

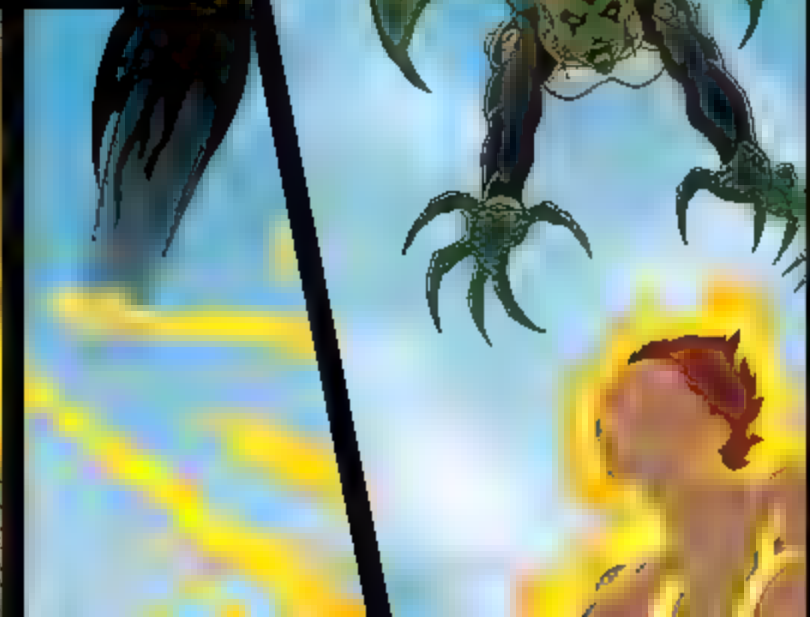
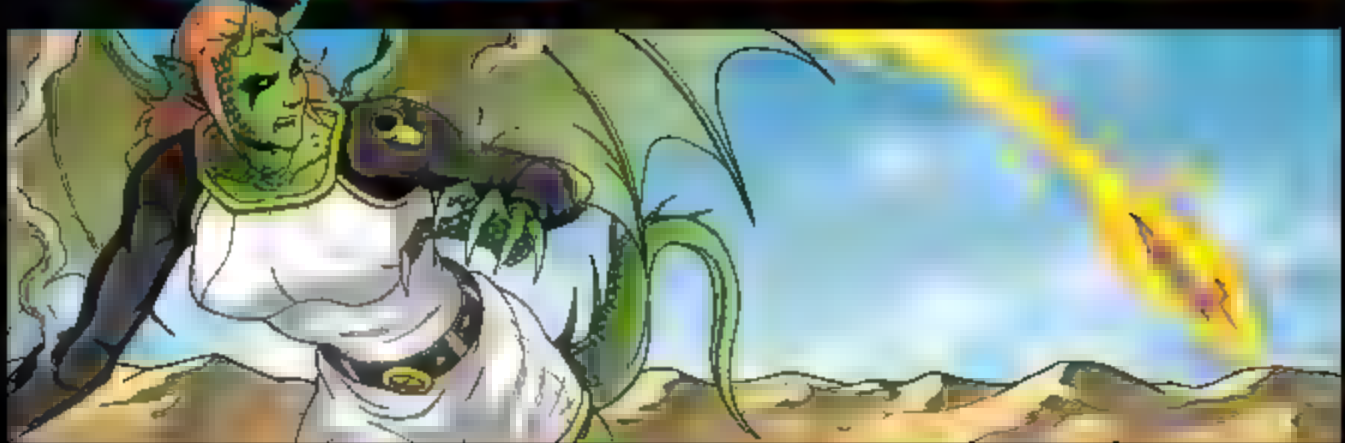


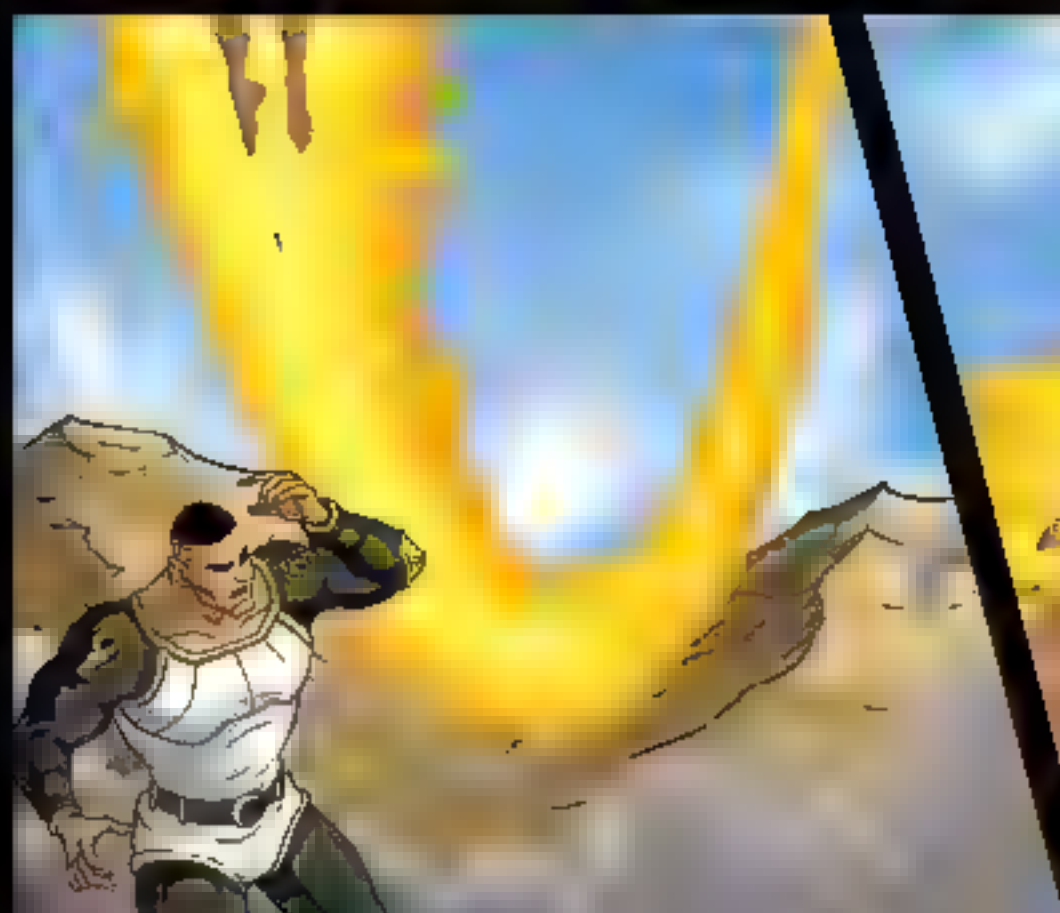
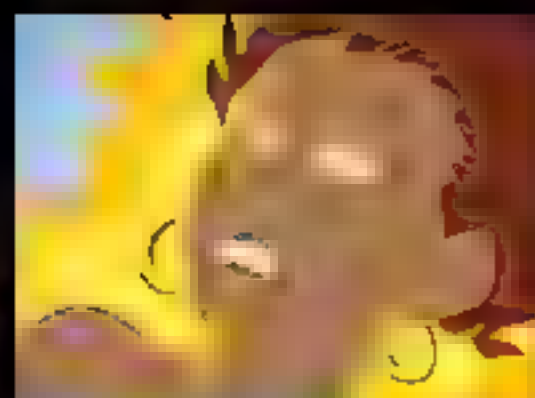
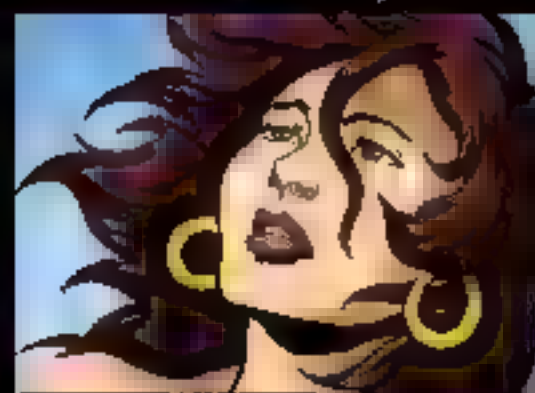


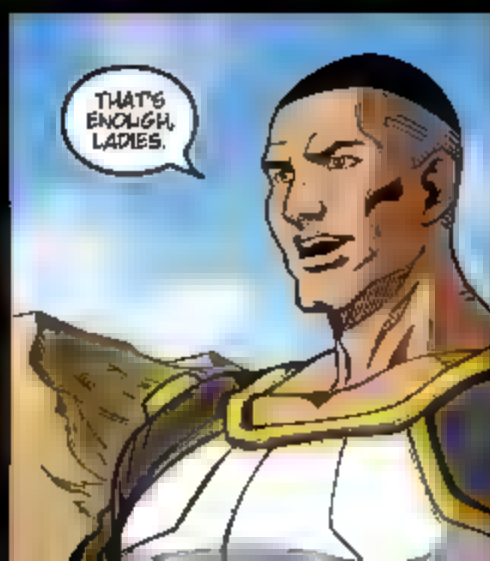
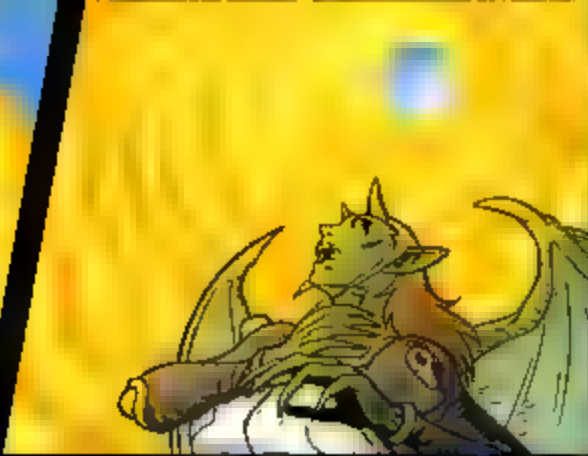
WAYWARD SONS LEGENDS

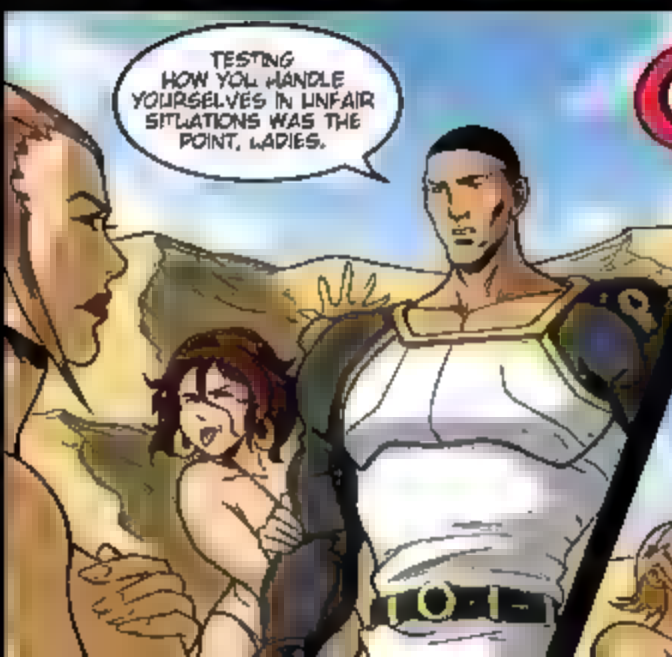
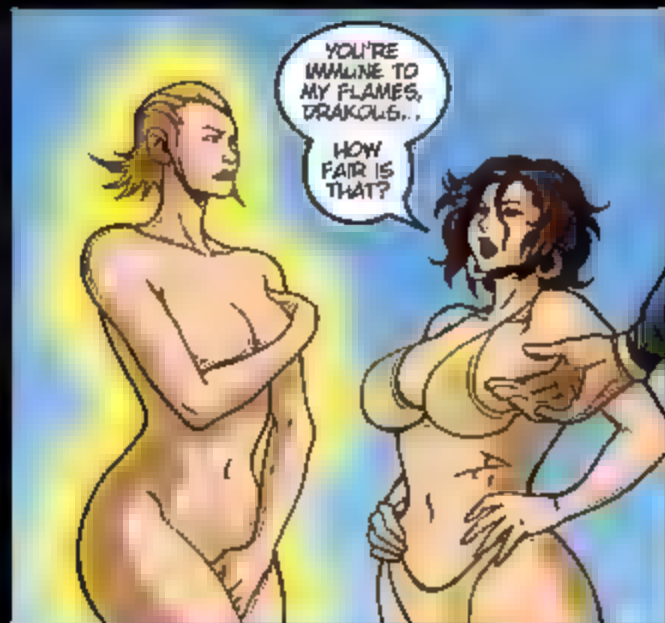


BENNY POWELL • WEILIN YANG • YOUNG YANG • KUN SONG











Name:	Yan (formerly Kronos)
Rank:	Former Fleet Admiral
Starship:	N/A - Tytan Prisoner
Race:	Panthean
Homeworld:	Parthenia Prime

Biography:

After Kronos' defeat in Egypt, he fled with his remaining Tytans loyal to him in the control module. The module was still charging and only capable of limited range. They crashed in a mountainous region of China, and Kronos quickly abandoned his men in disgust. Stumbling out in the cold, he was rescued by Huang and his family. They taught him the value of friendship, and showed him that humans were much the same as him. Kronos altered his mission due to this encounter and renamed himself Yan to start anew.

Personality Profile:

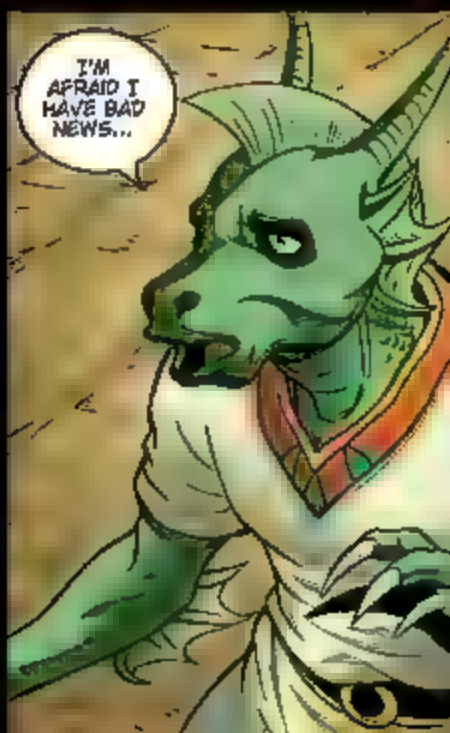
Yan is a strong, charismatic figure whose recent failures and personal revelations have shattered his ego. Once quick to anger and self-absorbed, Yan is now more even-tempered and calm. He feels a deep friendship toward Huang and his family, because they cared for him as a person and not a title. Now armed with a new purpose, and new people to fight for, Kronos is determined to carve out a new empire with humans, instead of merely ruling over them.

Powers / Abilities:

Yan is capable of generating and projecting a massive form of dark energy that can disintegrate matter almost instantly. It's unknown why the skeletons of his victims seem to be left intact, as he's been able to shatter metal with ease. His energy is powerful enough to shatter forcefields that could withstand a barrage by thousands of Tytans, including Typhon. He has gained incredible accuracy with his powers as well, and can fire them at targets hundreds of yards away.

WAYWARD SOULS









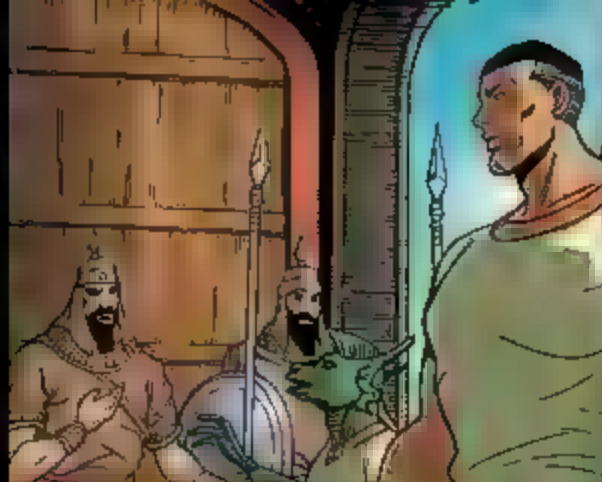
OBLIGATIONS

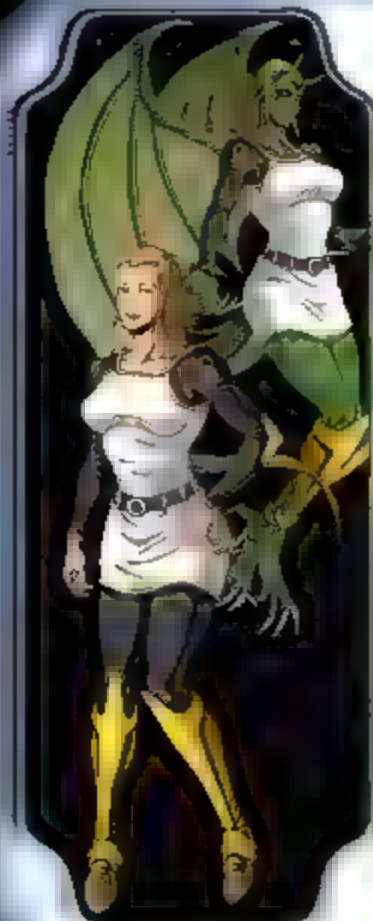
JOHN MCCOY	TWINKLE PLANET STUDIOS	FINISHES	JOHN MCCOY
BENNY R. POWELL	WEILIN YANG	YOUJUN YANG	KUN SONG

WE'RE
HERE!

WE'LL
LAND OUTSIDE
THE CITY, SO WE
DON'T SCARE
ANYONE.







Name/Rank: Ensign Drakous
Position: Xenobiology Assistant
Starship: Ulympea
Race: Dyanon
Homeworld: Atala

Biography:

Drakous works under Hara as an assistant, specializing in the study and medical treatment of the various non-Panthean races. Her main focus had been in area of the Drakai. She was the first non-resident to do her medical internship on Klutch, the Drakai homeworld. Her passion for alien species caught the attention of Hara, and she sponsored her for inclusion in her crew aboard the Ulympea. After the crash, Drakous was thrilled when her mutation granted her Drakai-like powers and appearance.

Personality Profile:

Drakous has two personalities. While in her human form, she tends to be mousy, mild and mostly harmless. But while in her drakai form, she is ferocious and feral in her attacks and attitude. She prefers her drakai form and will often chose to remain that way, unless her duties require her to change. If it weren't for her talons, she'd likely never change at all.

Powers / Abilities:

Drakous has the unique ability to metamorph her body into a shape resembling an idealized member of the Drakai race. She has two functional wings capable of granting her sustained flight of up to 100 km/hour. Her skin is replaced with incredibly hard scales, granting her armor and a unique resilience to flame. This heat resistance is capable of withstanding even the heats produced by Hestya. Her fingers and feet are edged by razor sharp talons, capable of cutting through any metal found on earth. It's quite likely her talons are made from the same unknown, incredibly hard, substance found in her scales.

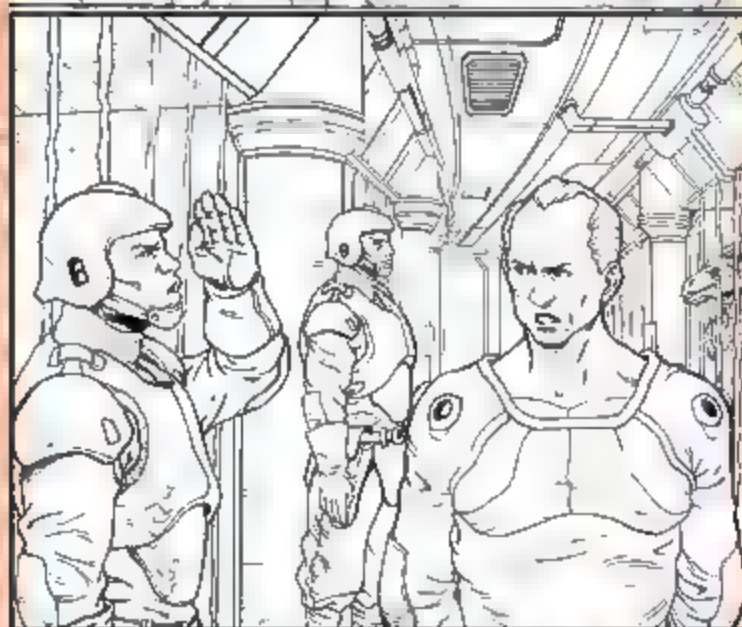


PENCILS -

Often the inker's contribution goes unseen and unsung in comics. To many, they're seen as just "tracers" at best.

And while Weilin does some very nice, tight pencils, as seen on the left from Issue #1, they're still not complete.

That's where a great inker like Youjun comes in.

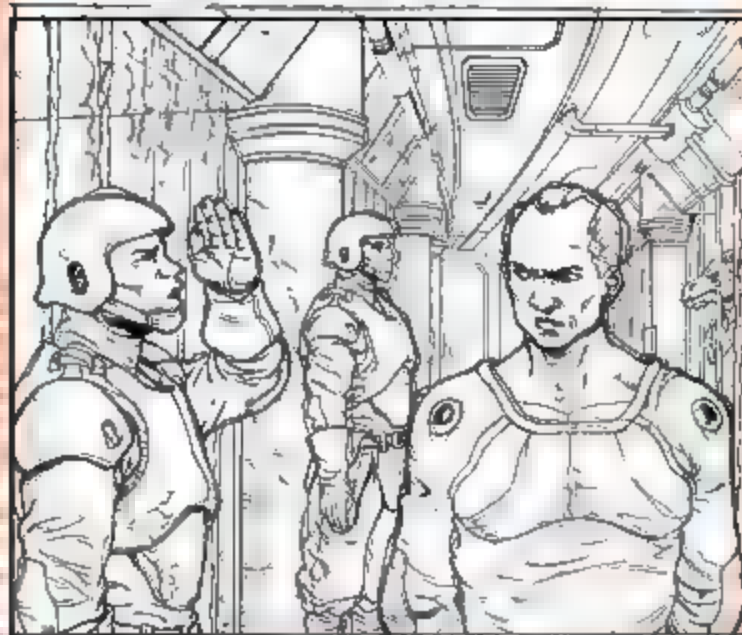


INKS -

Here we see a lot of the minor details that he adds to the piece. Expressions in the script are refined, as are notes from me.

Minor details such as wear and tear on the armor, and even a person's head sticking out in the background.

Also, a good inker uses varying line widths to convey senses of depth. The figures in the foreground have a thicker line, for instance.



COMPOSITE -

When you lay the two images over each other, you can more clearly see how the resulting image is a total collaboration between two artists, not just one.

This is why we're thankful for the hard work of our inking crew, and the value they bring to each and every page. They're not simple tracers, but a necessary component of the story-telling process.



HELLO,
MY LOVE.

I'M
GLAD
YOU
CAME.

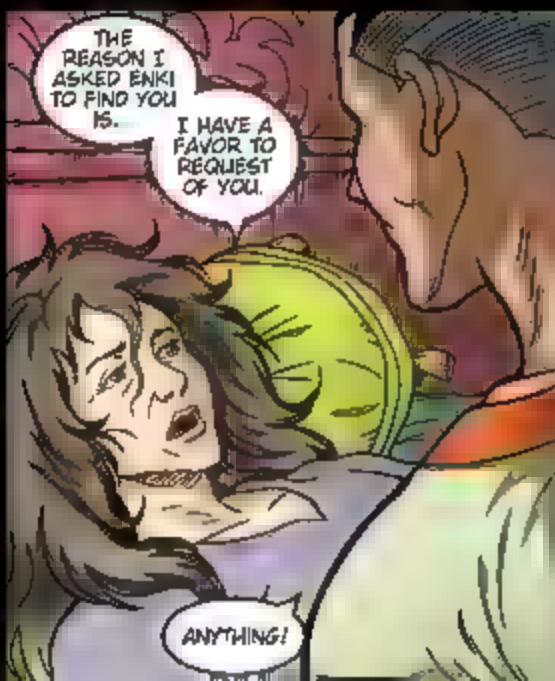
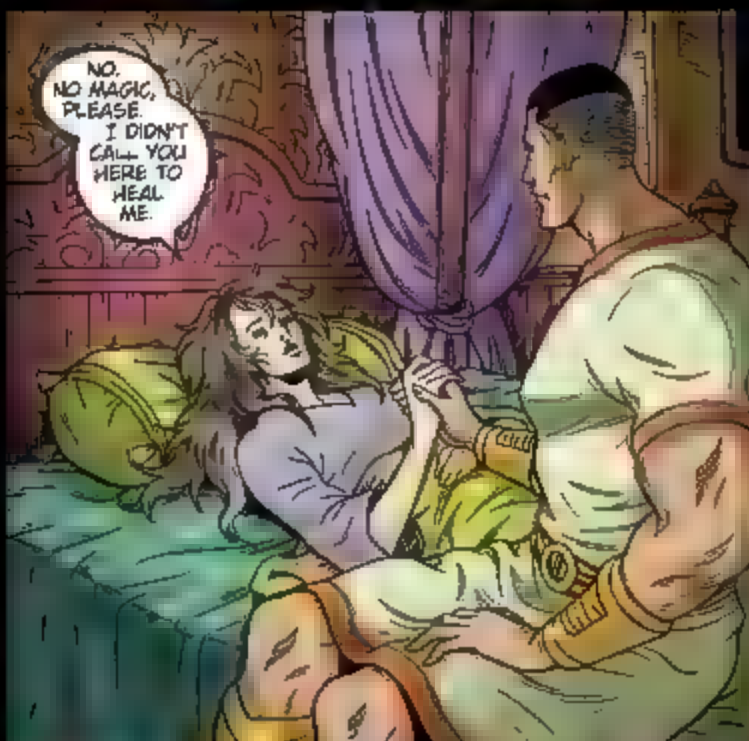
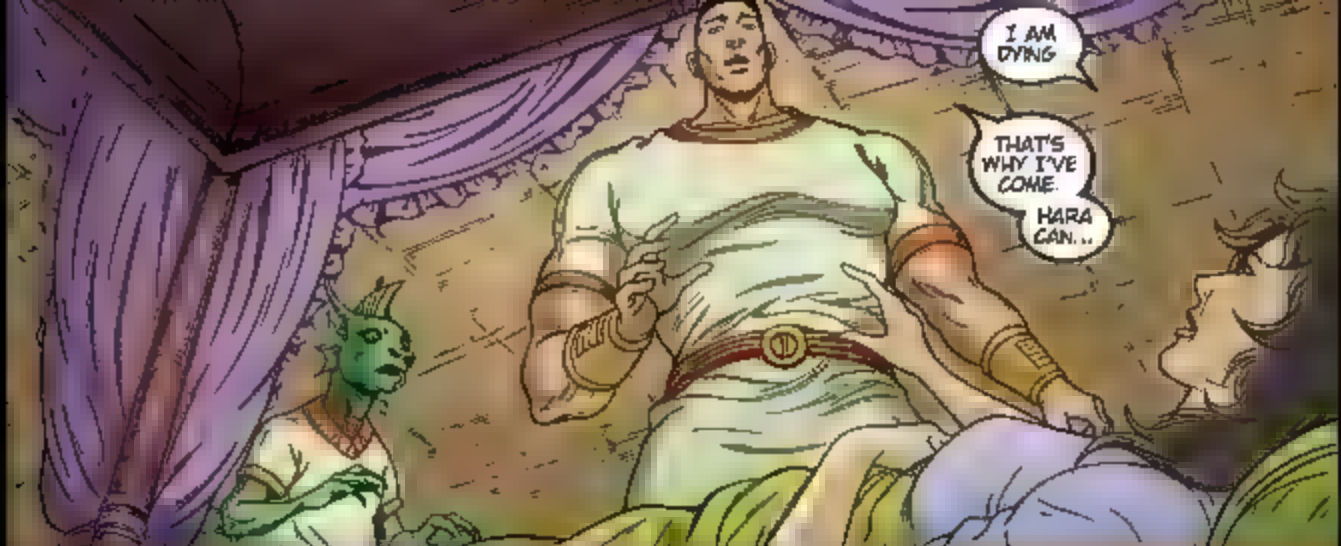
OF
COURSE
I CAME,
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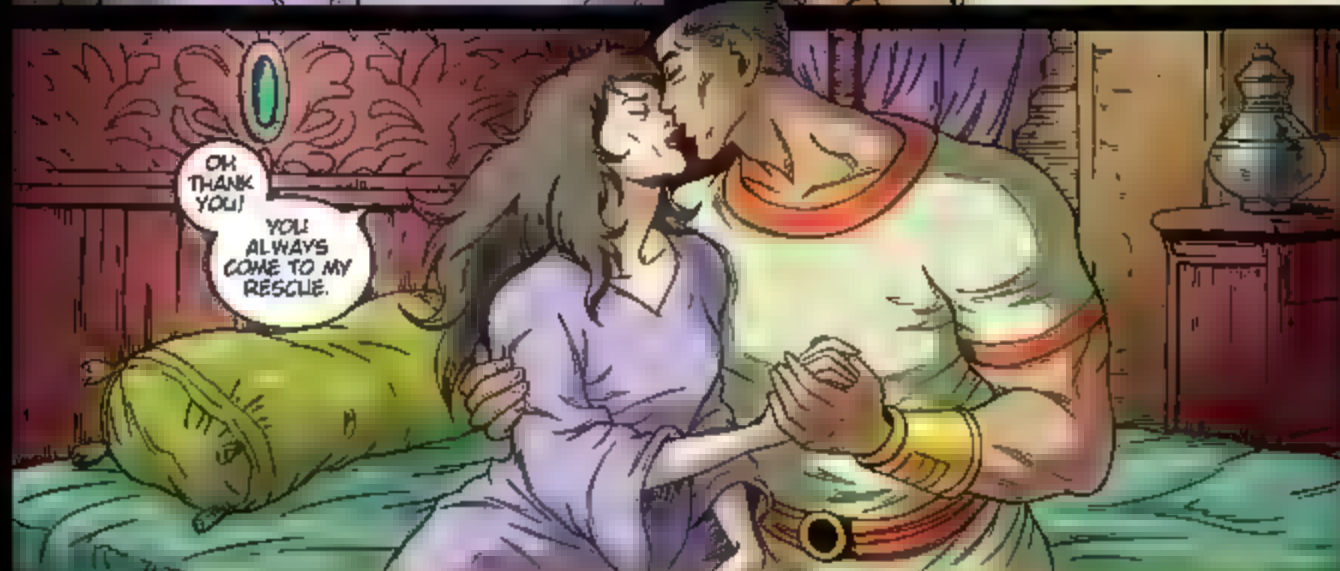
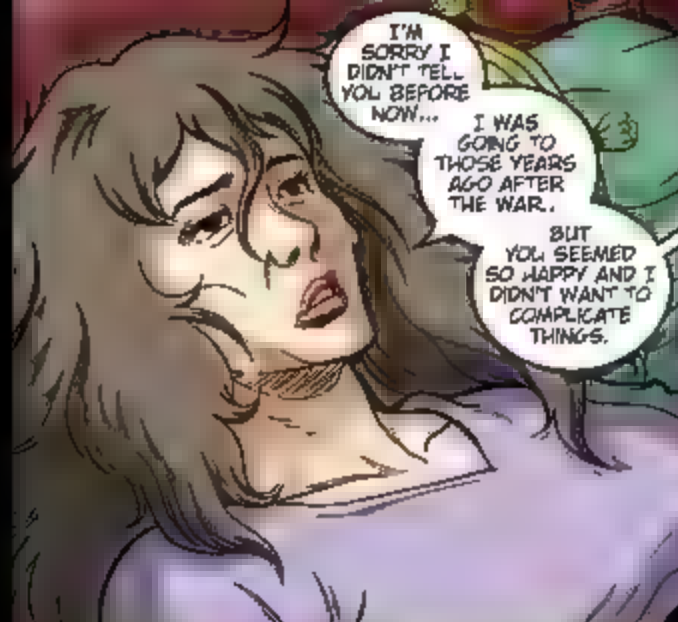
I WISH
YOU DIDN'T
HAVE TO SEE
ME THIS
WAY

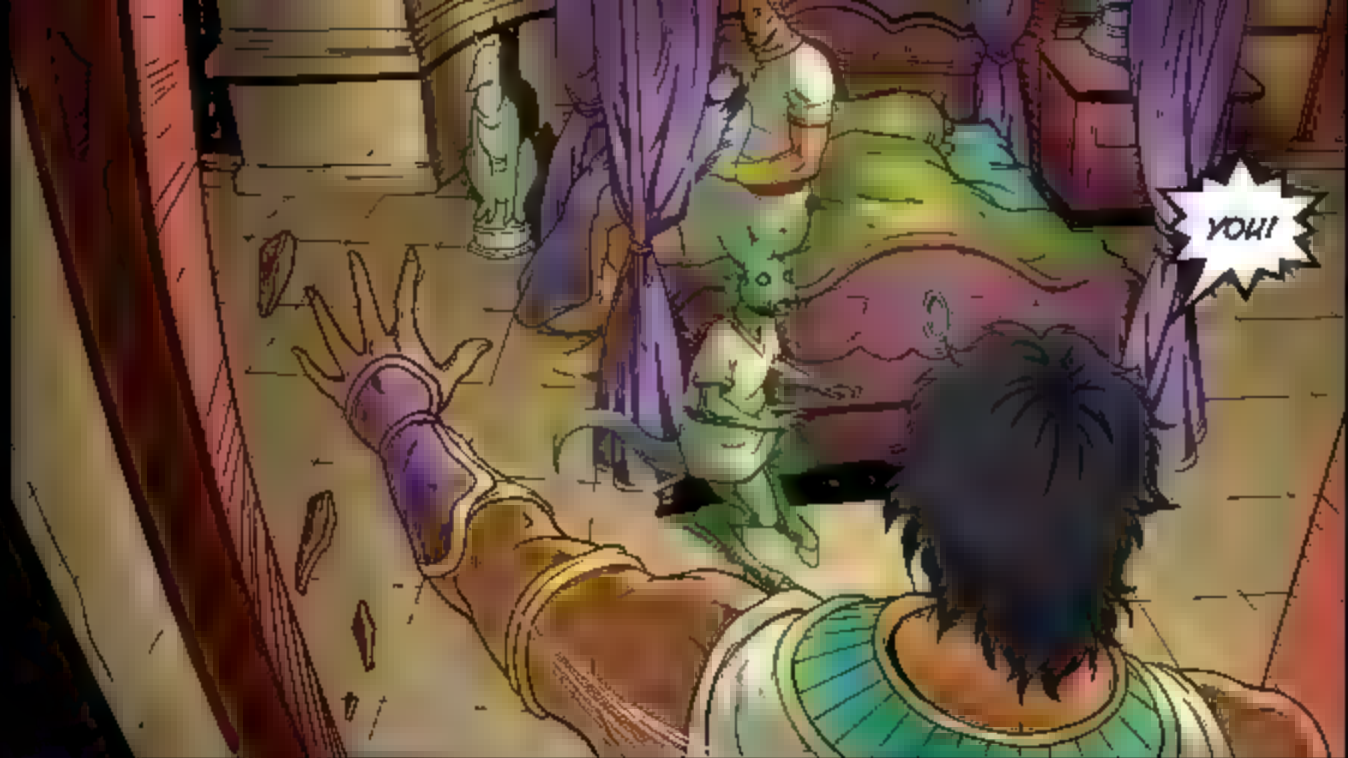
I WISH
YOU COULD
REMEMBER
ME WHEN
I WAS
BEAUTIFUL.

YOU
STILL ARE
BEAUTIFUL,
MY QUEEN.

YOU'RE
SUCH A
SWEET
LIAR.











Creature:	Pegasi
Type:	Transportation
Material:	Mutated organic tissue
Range:	A maximum of up to 500 kilometers flight radius before needing to rest, if carrying a passenger of average weight.
Rating:	Class 100 mutation

The Pegasi are a created mutation/hybrid between an earth horse and winged avian birds. They were part of a series of experiments on the native pack animal by Hara, whose powers allow her to manipulate genetic material on a cellular level.

While not all of Hara's experiments were considered useful or even a success by any standard, the Pegasi are a crowning achievement. They are adept flyers and naturally accustomed to carrying passengers.

Hara further augmented their stamina and strength, while making other modifications to better suit them for the rigors of sustained flight at high altitudes. Their bones, musculature, lungs and even their eyes are just some of the unseen changes that Hara made while refining her work. The end result is a work of art while still being among the most useful weapons in the Ulympean arsenal.

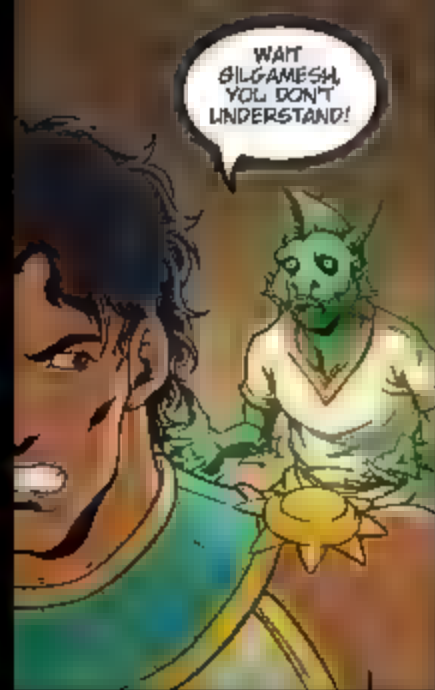


Most of the time, the notes I give on a page are minor and a quick bit of instruction is given to Youjun who conveys (and translates) the fixes needed to Weilin. Since I don't speak Chinese and he doesn't speak English, this is a necessary step.

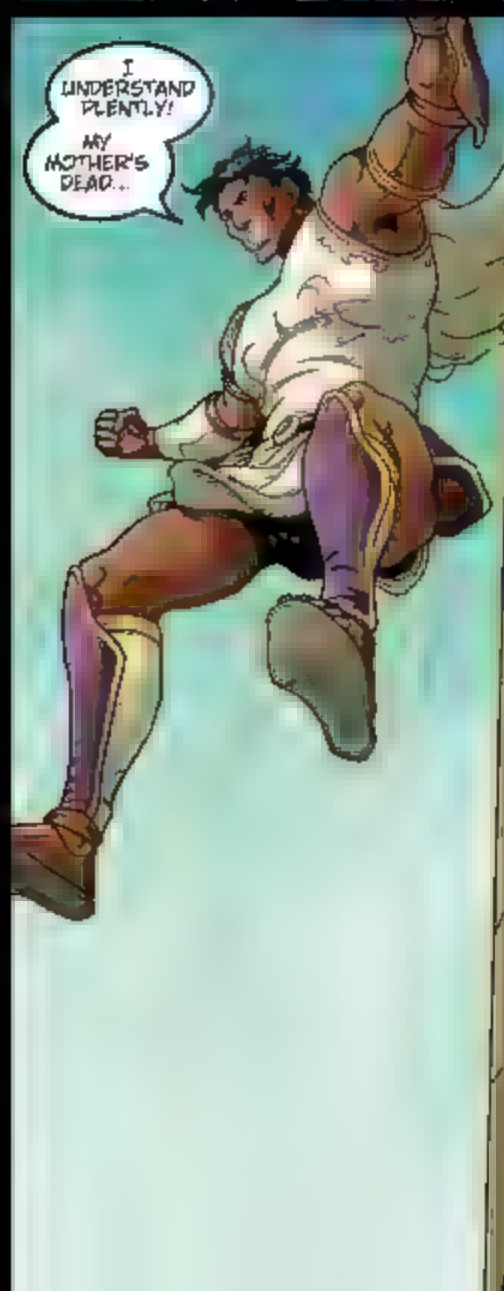
However, sometimes I'm thankful that I can add notes such as the ones above to give a more precise explanation of what I'm looking for. Then Weilin works his magic, and the final results are dead on. Still this is a fun look at part of the editing process, I think.



HE'S
GETTING
UP...



WAIT
SILGAMESH,
YOU DON'T
UNDERSTAND!



I
UNDERSTAND
PLENTY!
MY
MOTHER'S
DEAD...

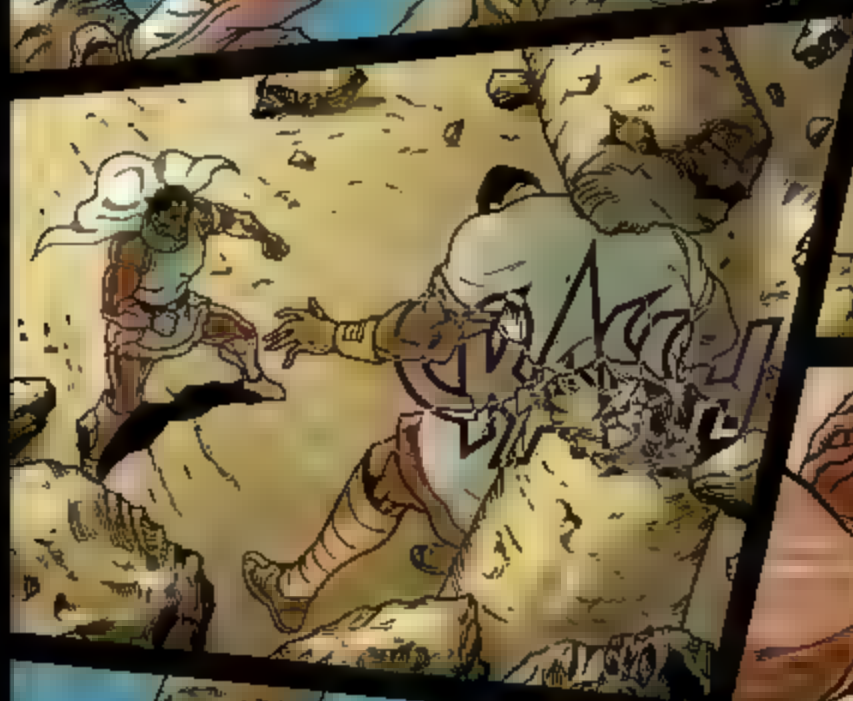


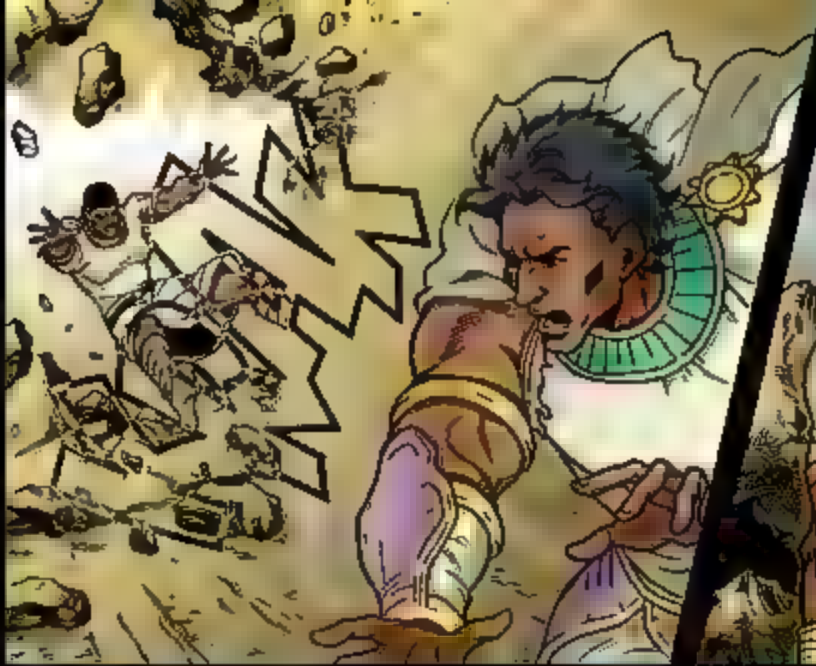
AND
YOU HAVE
MUCH TO
ANSWER
FOR!

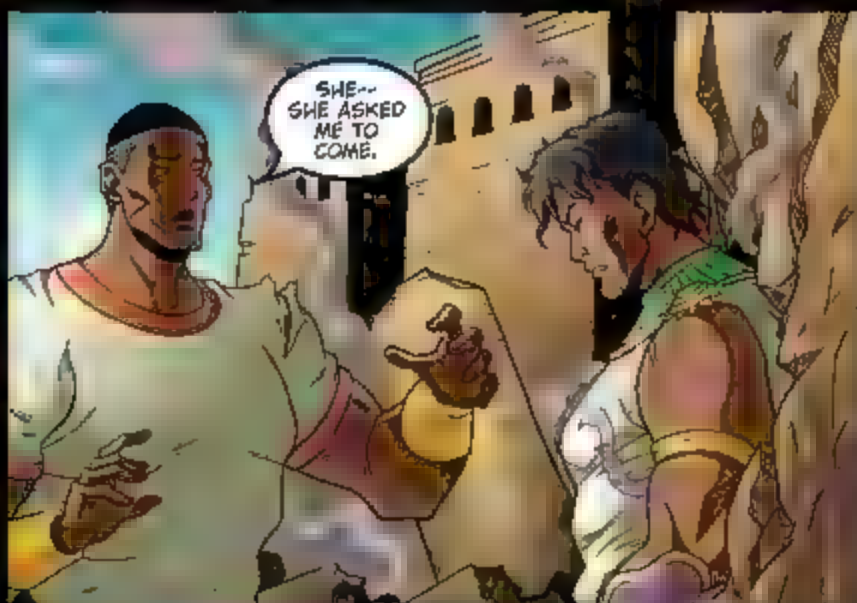
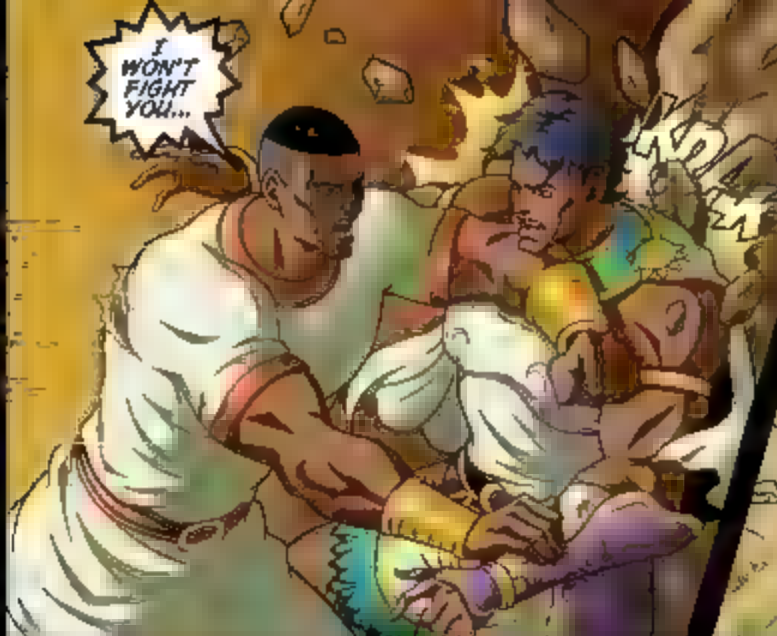


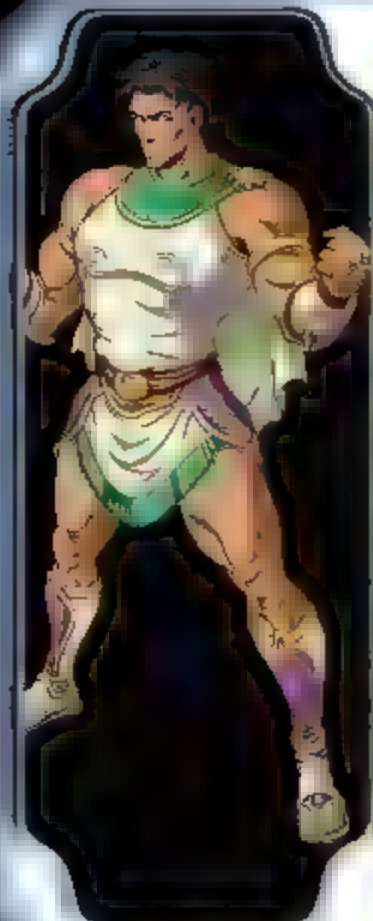
NOW
GET UP
AND FIGHT
ME!











Name/Rank: King Gilgamesh
Race: Human/Torsian Hybrid
Homeworld: Earth

Biography:

Gilgamesh is the first known hybrid born on earth from mixed parentage between either the Ulympeans or Tytans and the native population of humans. His mother, Queen Ninsun, and the Ulympean, Hurk, shared a brief romantic encounter that resulted in his being conceived. Ninsun, who had recently lost her husband to invading Tytans, spun the tale that he was the late King's son. This deception included not telling Hurk of their son's existence until she lay on her death bed. By this time, Gilgamesh had already displayed his massive abilities, and was in desperate need of guidance in using them responsibly.

Personality Profile:

Gilgamesh is a headstrong, angry and passionate young man. He is incredibly bright as well, but his emotions overrun his reason and logic. He long suspected he was more than human, and when his powers manifested, his suspicions were confirmed. He blamed his mother for lying to him and began using his role as a prince and his powers to terrorize his own people in a misguided bid for attention.

Powers / Abilities:

Gilgamesh is the first hybrid, and may provide the template by which future hybrids will similarly follow. Most obviously, he has gained powers similar to that of his star core affected father. His strength may not be as great as Hurk's but it seems to be close enough. His resilience and stamina are likewise near that of his father's. This would seem to indicate that the imbued star core traits of the parent pass to the children and do not allow for a wide variance or new mutation. Also of note is that Gilgamesh seems to age normally, which suggests he is not immortal.

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PAGE 1

EXT. A DISTANT GALAXY

Two ships, docked together, float against the backdrop of deep space. The TITAN looks Spartan in its design with no regard to form, merely function. A pyramid like control module sits in the middle

The smaller one, the OLYMPEA, is a sleek battle craft with attention to detail, maintenance and design

PAGE 2

INT TITAN - HOLDING CELLS

Rows of dark, cramped pens hold a menacing array of prisoners, some human, some not. Many look like creatures from mythology, golems, harpies, vampires, etc. A greenish plasma shield covers the front of each cage. The rows of cells stretch as far as the eye can see. The plasma covering hold the prisoners in place

A human, SURAS, walks down a row. He stops briefly in front of a massive lizard man, TYPHON, who is shackled to the wall by a sophisticated apparatus

TYPHON
Greetingsssssss, Captain

SURAS walks on. He approaches the guards

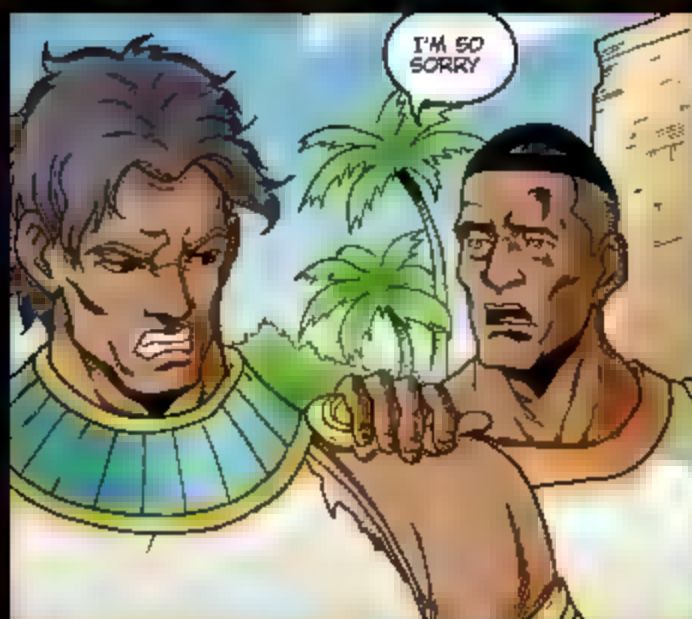
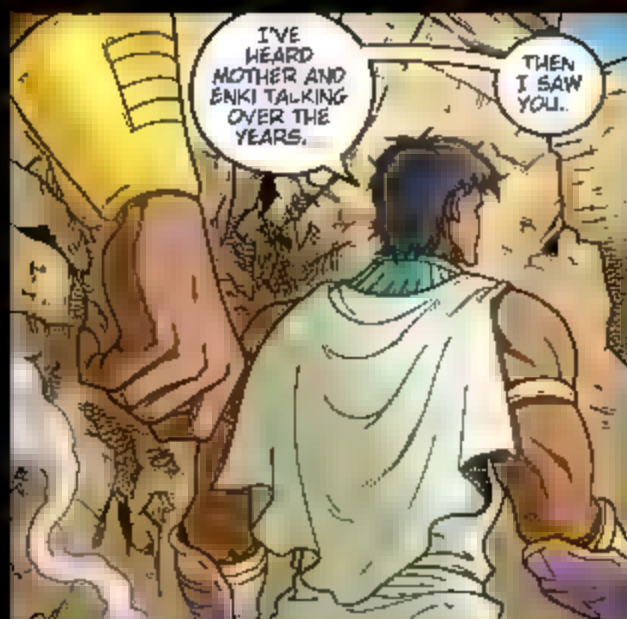
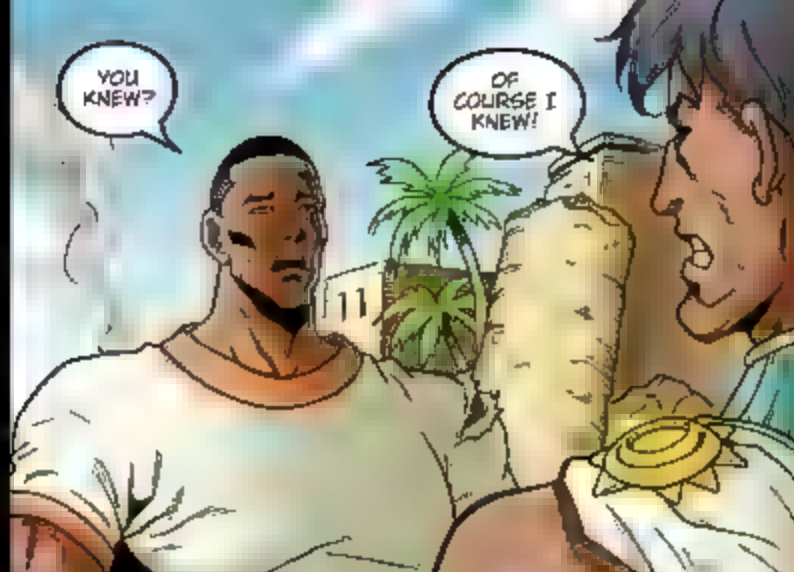
1ST GUARD
Captain, transfers are complete
All three hundred and twelve
thousand prisoners are here in the
tank

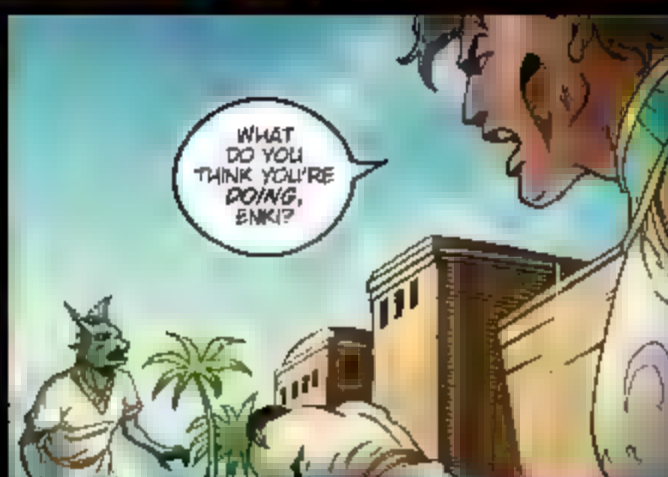
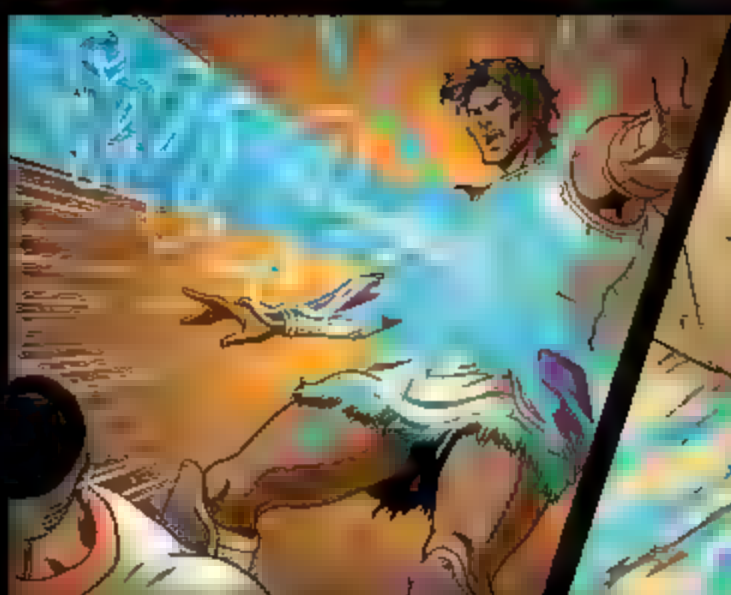
SURAS
Good work men

SURAS turns to the opposite cell. A shackled human with a sickle tattoo covering his right eye, KRONOS, grins back at SURAS

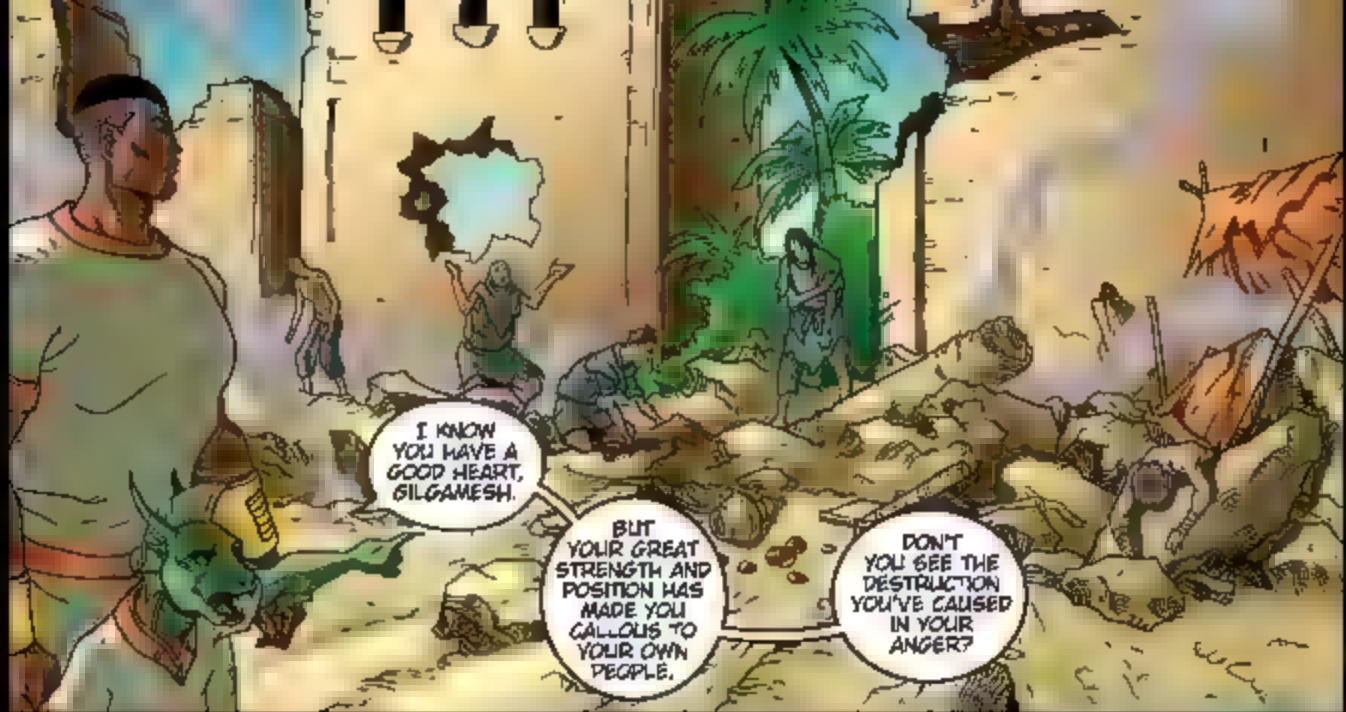
KRONOS
Saying goodbye in person? How noble
of you

Usually the spotlight is on the ART aspects of making the comics in these look behind-the-pages, but some have asked to see what a script for Wayward Sons looks like. That's actually a tough thing to show, because like the artwork, our script process has evolved over time. See, there are two main types of script in comics, "Marvel Style" and "Full Script." A full script typically tells the artist panel-by-panel what is on the page and the dialogue that goes with it. The Marvel style instead tells the artist what happens on the page and allows them to flex their creative muscles. I've always felt that a hybrid of the two works best. In the early days, my version of this hybrid form looked like the example above. I'll try to show and explain how that evolved into its current form, which is vastly different in a future update. But one thing that I want to point out is that the dialogue is and always has been a "placeholder" in these things. I don't actually create the final dialogue until the artwork comes back. This is because what Weilin does often inspires what I have the characters say. Also, I don't believe in giving him definite panel breaks. This allows him to tell the story too.

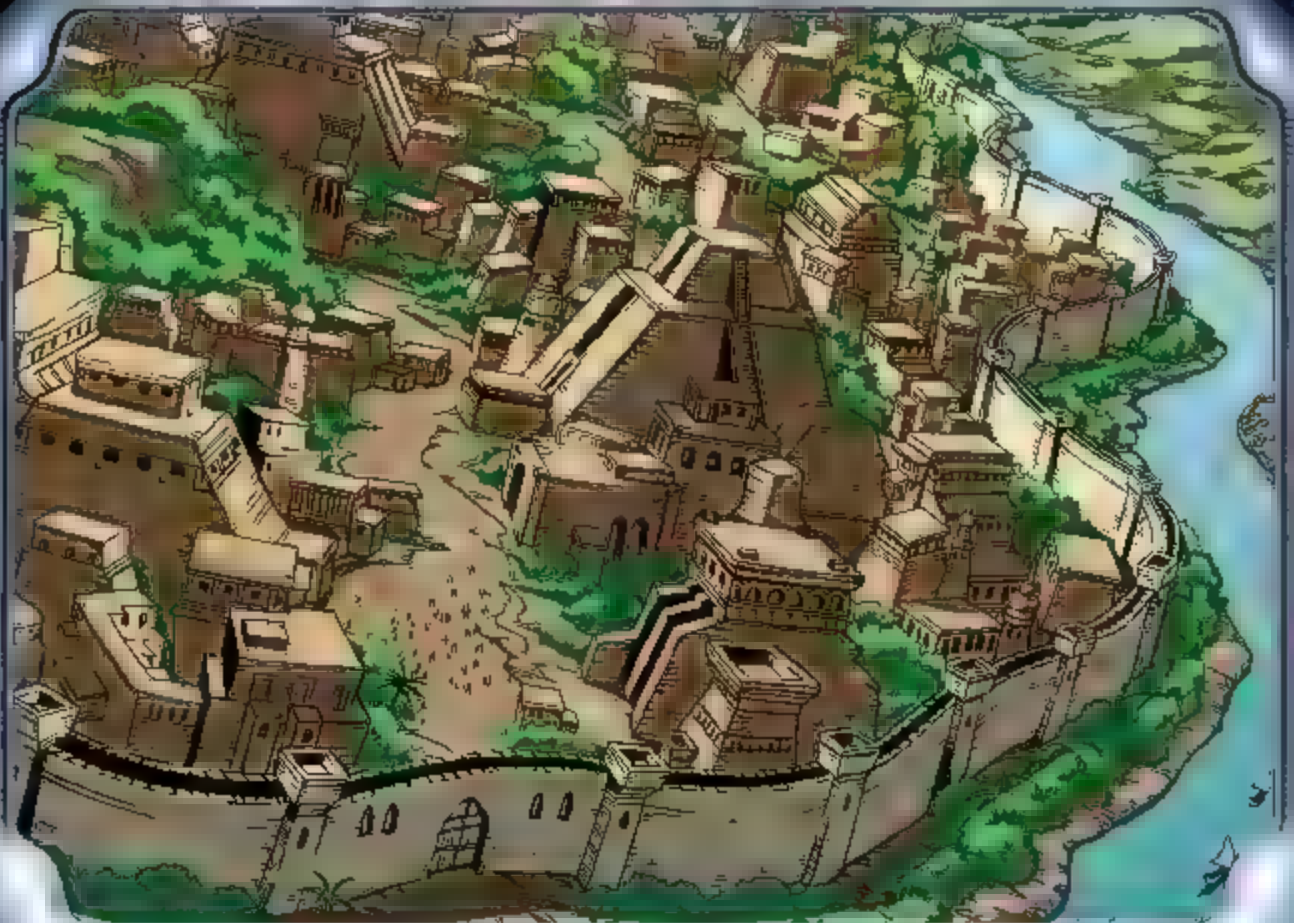












Region: Uruk
Kingdom: Ancient Sumeria and later Babylon
Leaders: Queen Ninsun and later King Gilgamesh; Briefly H'mbawa
Population: Between 50,000 - 80,000 citizens
Tech Rating: Bronze and base metal working and masonry. Chief architectural achievement was their city wall.

Uruk was one of the first great city/states on earth. The city was located in the southern part of Mesopotamia, which is an ancient civilization, on the Euphrates river. Through the gradual and eventual domestication of native grains from the Zagros foothills and extensive irrigation techniques, the area supported a vast variety of edible vegetation. This domestication of grain and its proximity to rivers enabled Uruk's growth into the largest Sumerian settlement, in both population and area, with relative ease.

Due to its success, it was an attractive and constant target for rogue Tytans. Thanks to the walls and the heroic efforts of their god-like heroes, Gilgamesh and Enki, it was able to hold off any further incursions and thrived for nearly a thousand years. It continued to be in use for generations after it lost its prominence.

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PAGE 1

INT OUTSIDE TYTAN GREAT ROOM -- DAY

Just outside the great room where the trial is taking place, we see Hatha waiting looking at the door. Coming out of the room is Parion and he seems to be talking to Hapiz. Parion gestures toward Hatha and says, "Hatha has offered to escort you if you proved yourself." Hatha wearing her Jlympean uniform. NO AXE

Hapiz bows to Parion, "I will see you soon, sir."

As Parion walks away from them, Hatha smiles, "I never doubted for a minute."

Hapiz, however, doesn't look happy. "You expect me to thank you?"

Hatha is confused. "Excuse me?"

Hapiz is clearly upset, "How could you betray me like that?"

PAGE 2

INT OUTSIDE TYTAN GREAT ROOM DAY

Hatha asks, "How did I betray you?" Hapiz: "I thought we had something and you never told me."

Hatha, "I was under orders."

Hapiz, "I could have died in that battle. Would you have even cared?"

Hatha begins crying, "Of course I cared! I prayed the fates would keep you safe."

Hatha is crying in her hands. Hapiz reaches for her to comfort. He feels for Hatha clearly.

Then Hapiz puts his hand down and looks angry. "I'll find my own way back to camp."

Hapiz walks away down the hall in the background, while Hatha falls to her knees, crying.

As promised, this is how our current scripts for Wayward Sons look. If you note, there's rough dialogue (some of it stayed, but other parts changed). Most important is that each "paragraph" provides Weilin a suggested panel break. However, by leaving it open-ended Weilin can figure out how much room to leave for the narrative in each panel... and if necessary combine paragraphs.

For instance, page one has six paragraphs and the final version of the page also has six panels. This worked fine, and Weilin had no need to change things up. However, on page two, the script has seven paragraphs, but Weilin combined a couple of them, resulting in only six panels on the finished page. The results were still the same as depicted in the script, but it was more concise art-wise.

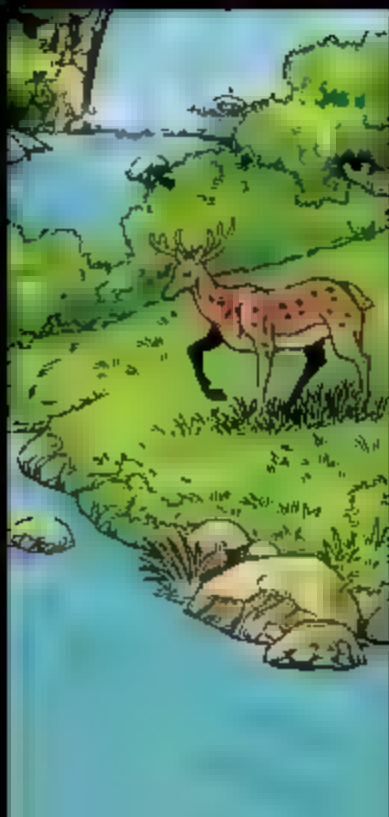
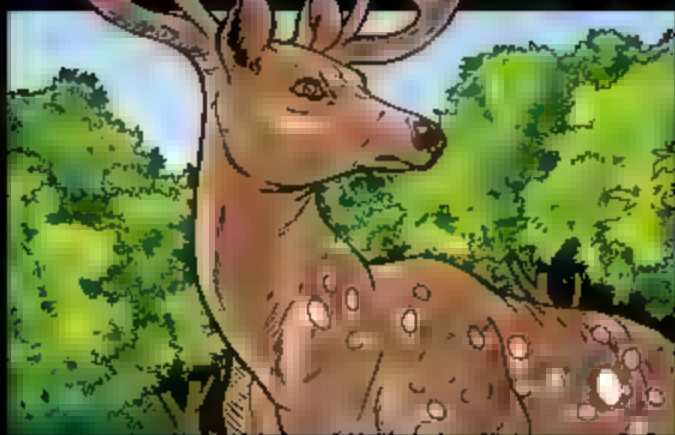
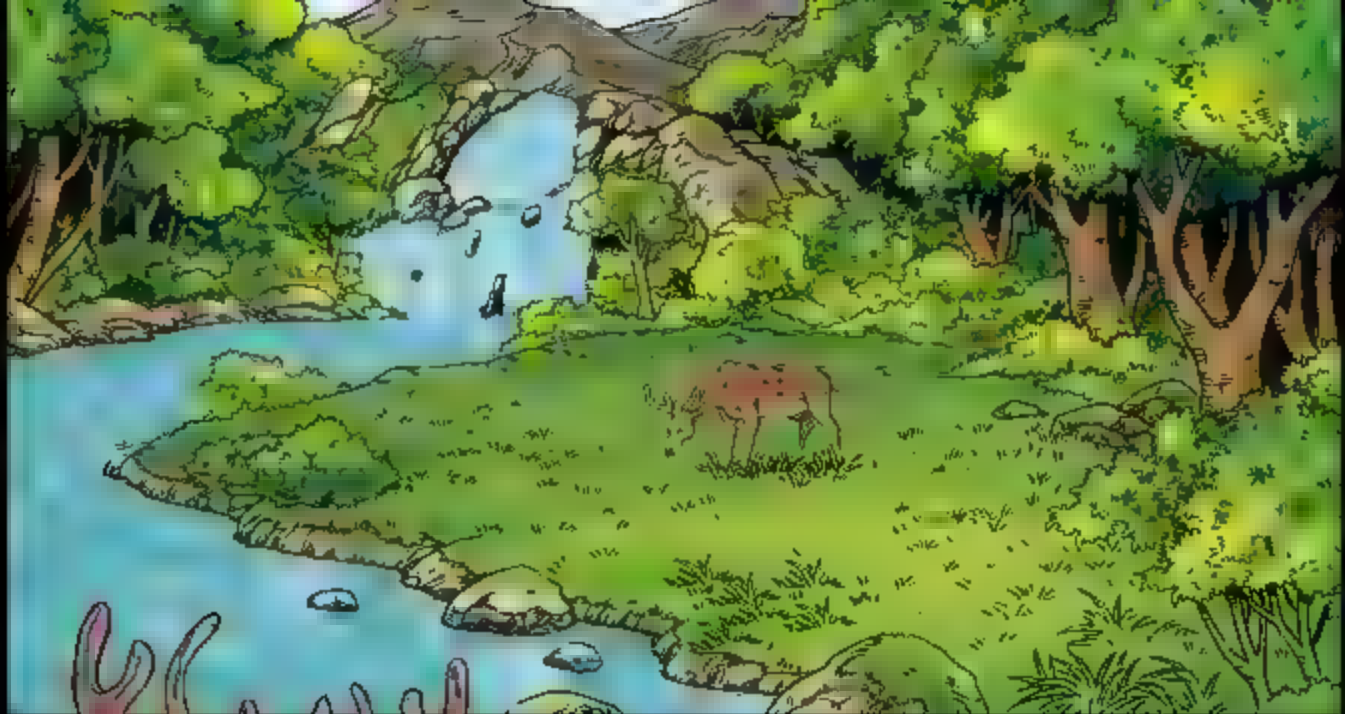
Further, his artwork inspired some dialogue changes that further fleshed out the action. This is why comics are so great in my opinion. It's a complete collaboration and the sum is greater than its individual parts.

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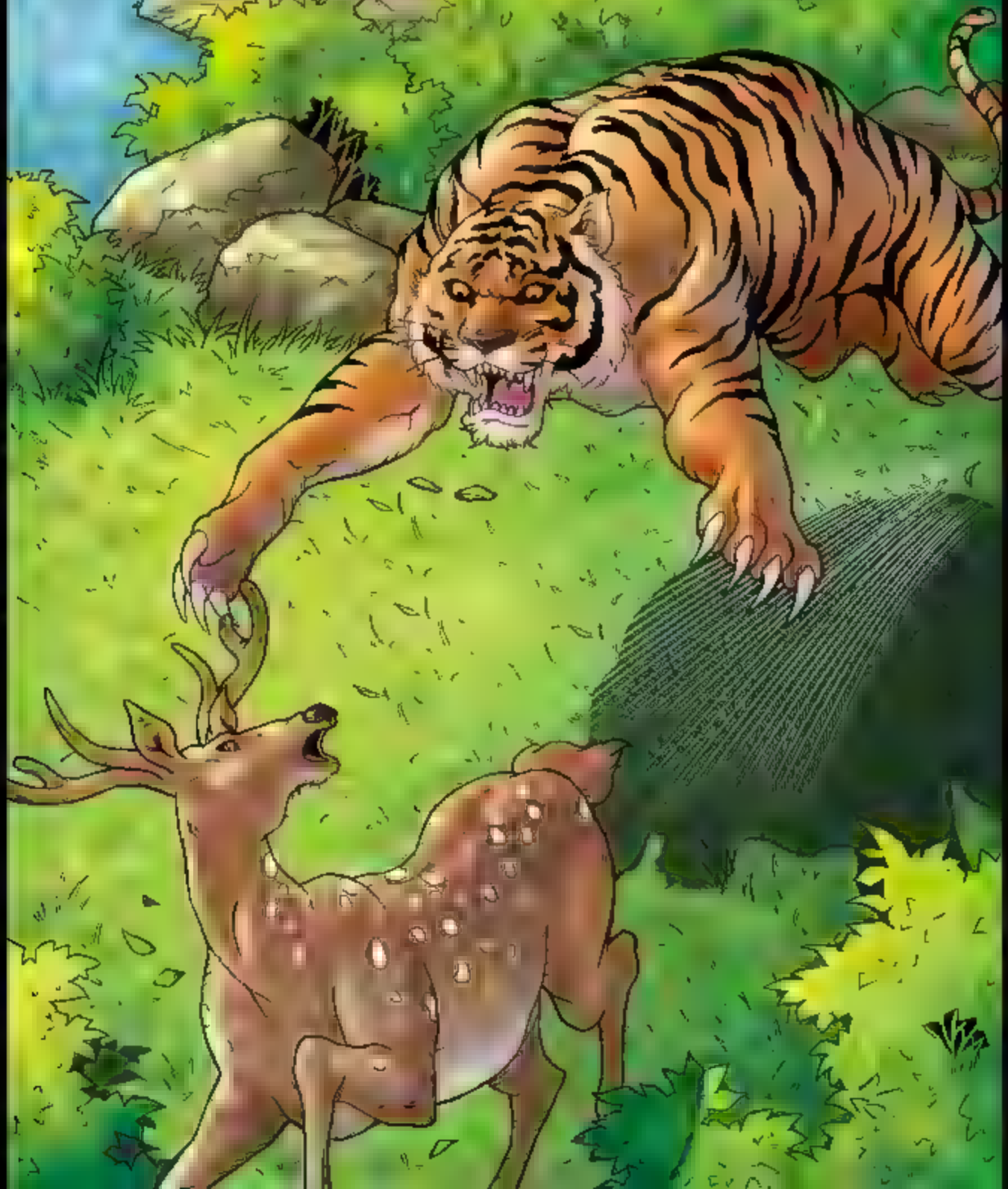
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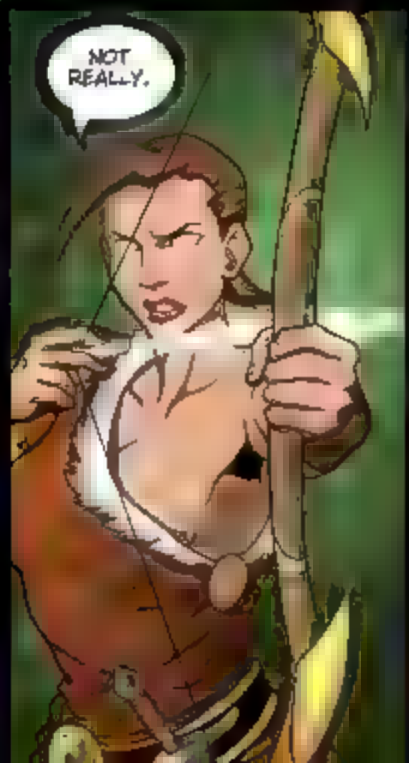
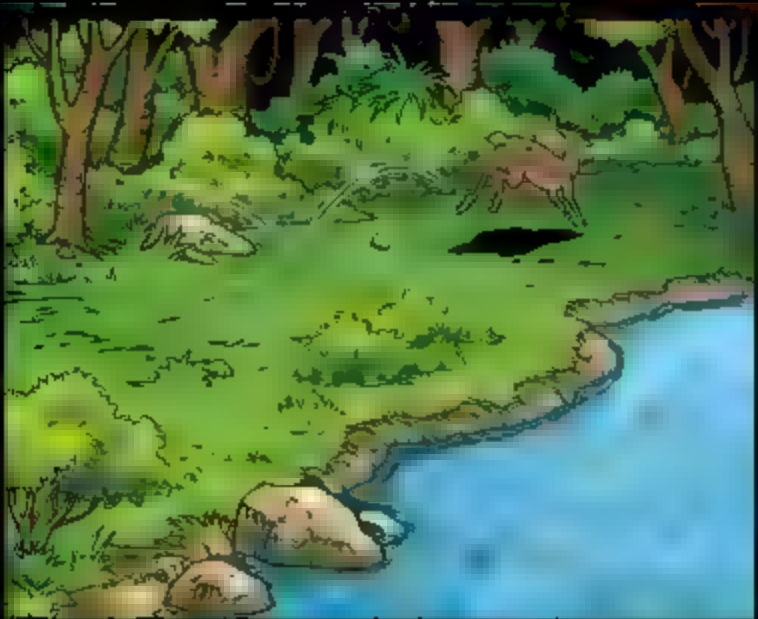
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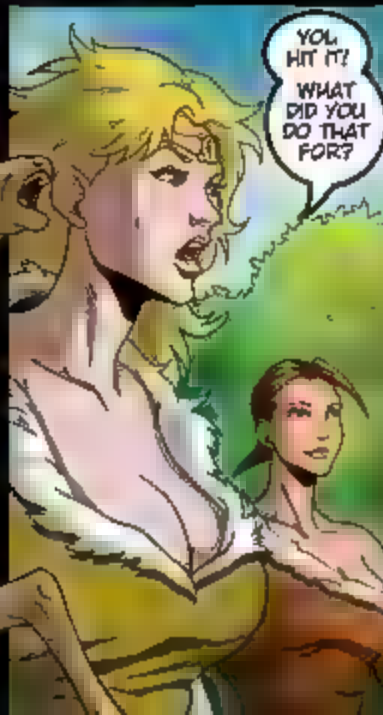
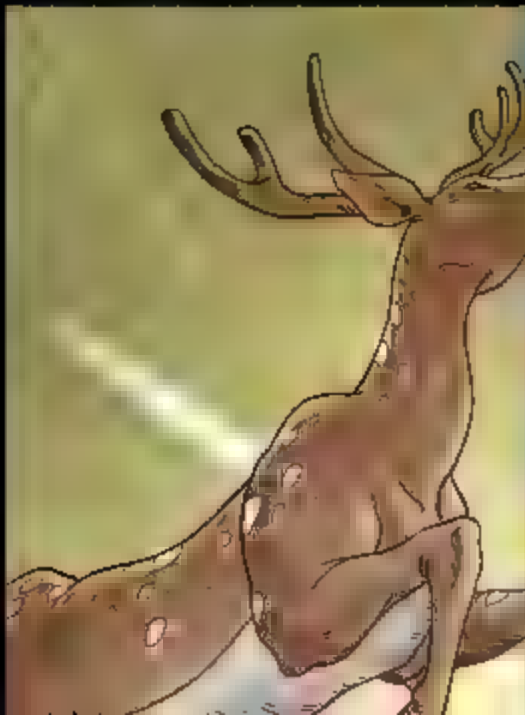
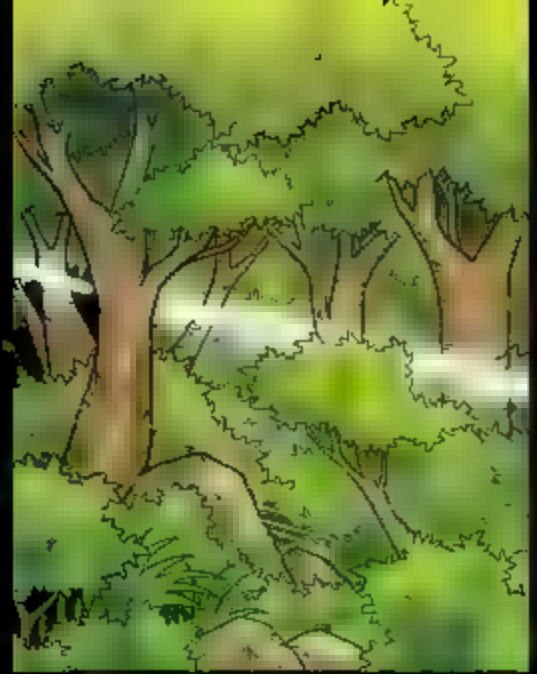
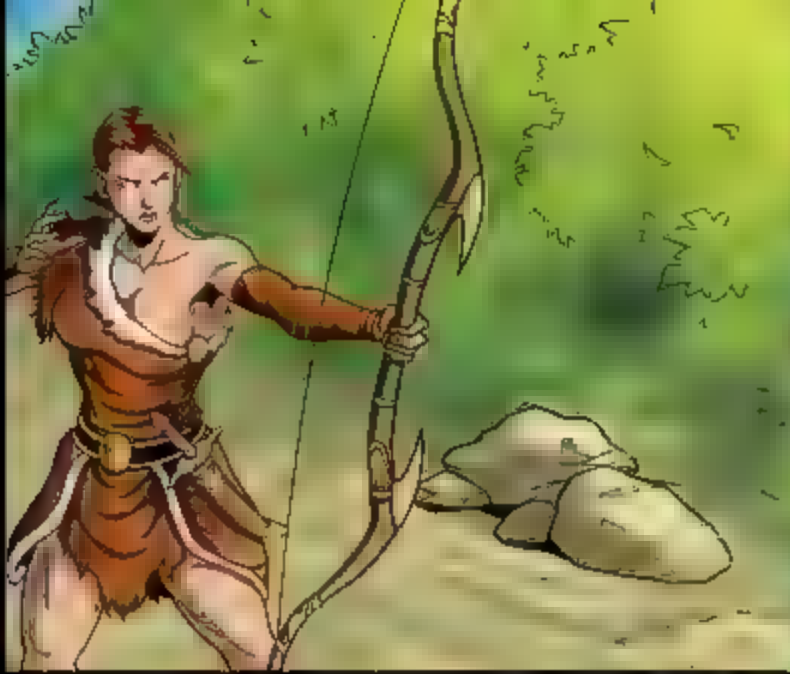
WRITER
ENGEL
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YANG

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ANCHES
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SONG









Region: Mount Ulympea - Greece region
Kingdom: None affiliated - controlled by Ulympeans
Leaders: Captain Suras
Population: Between 1,500 - 1,800 citizens
Tech Rating. Advanced Ulympean, but limited by technology and other materials not damaged by the Star Core.

For years after the Ulympea crash landed in the mountains of Greece, the Ulympeans made their home in the ruins of their starship. This was not only bad for morale, it served to alienate the Ulympeans from their new home. Haydez realized this, and using his powers to shape rocks and minerals, he created a citadel out of the mountain itself.

Despite being at such a high altitude, Phastus and Haydez tapped geothermal energy sources to maintain a comfortable climate year round for the residents. Further, by extending their holographic technology they are able to mask their city from prying eyes at a moment's notice.

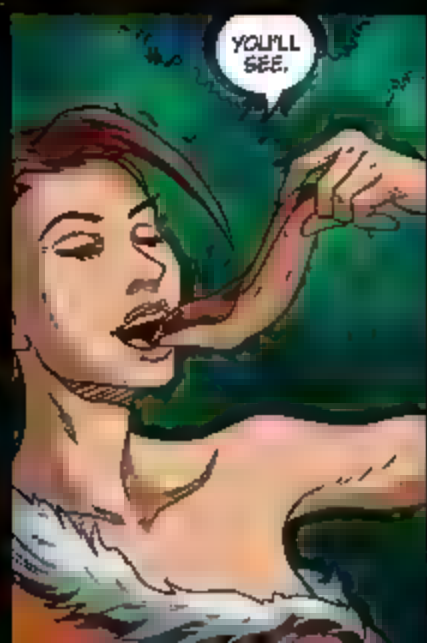
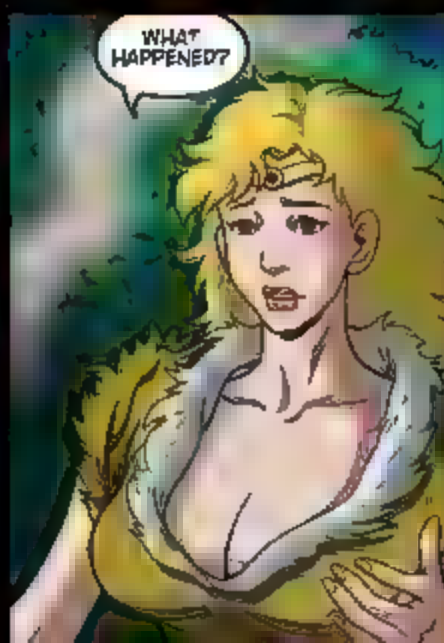
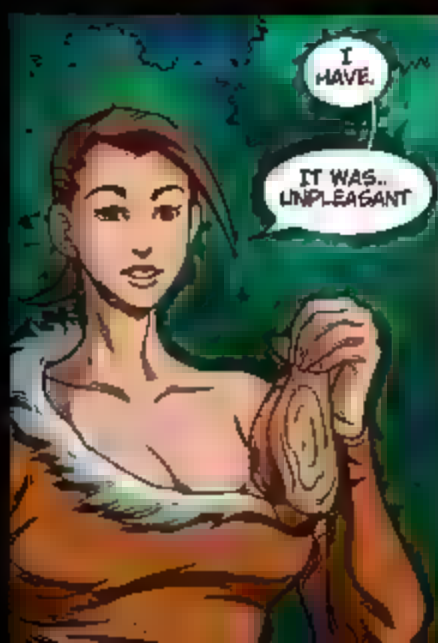
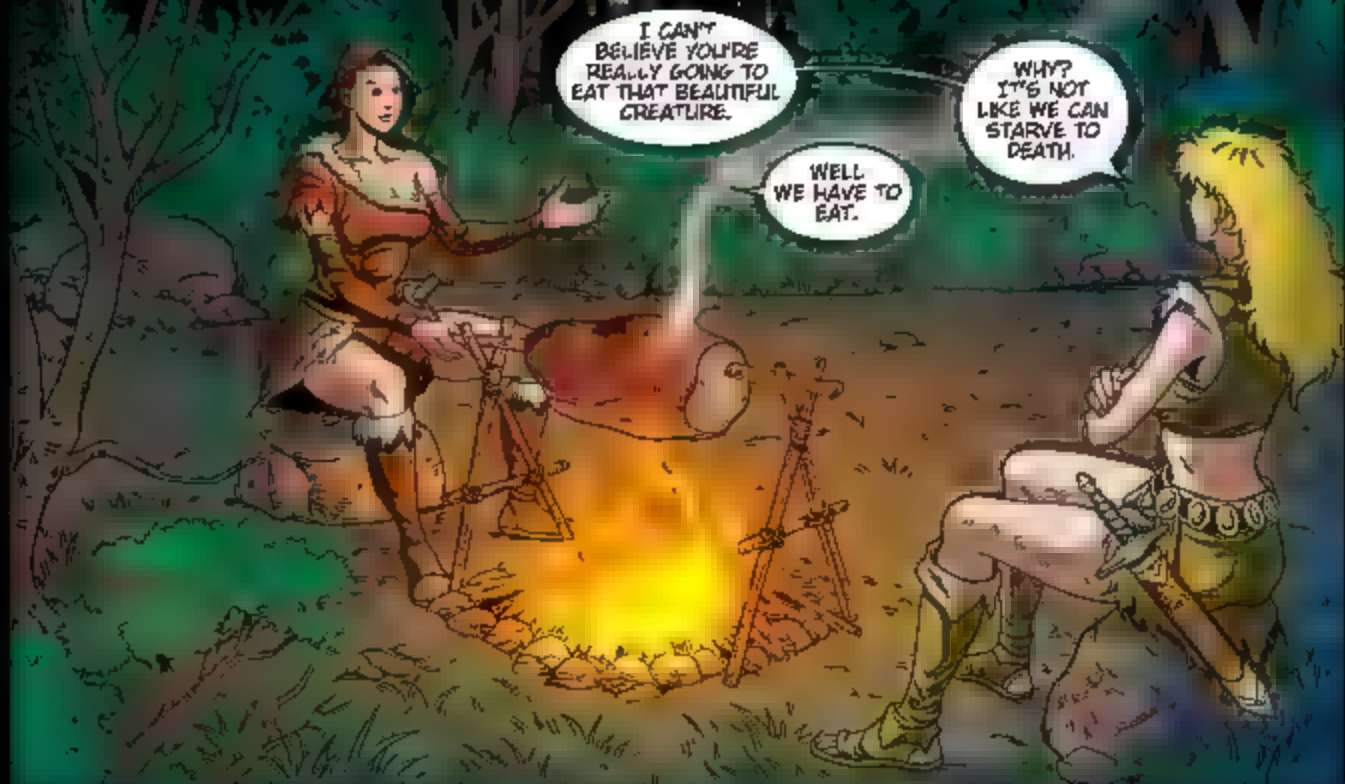
With enough housing for more than every Ulympean, it would serve as an inviting base of operations for the Ulympeans for thousands of years.

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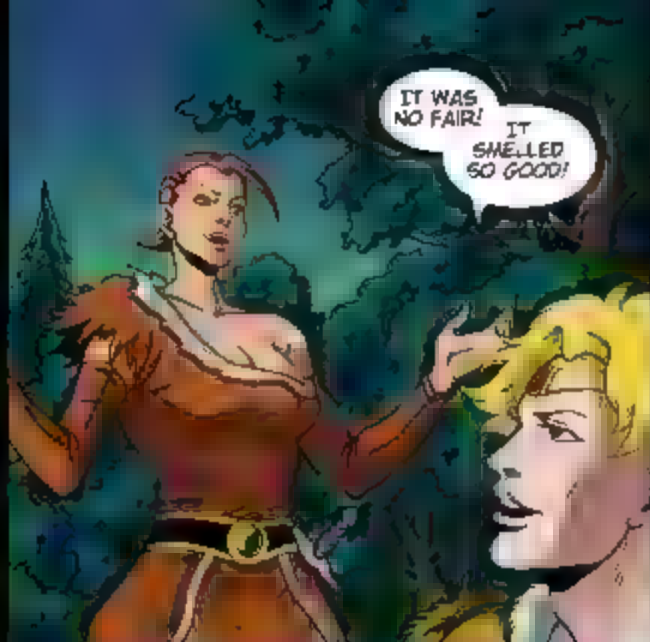
SNEAK
PEAK OF AN
UPCOMING
SERIES



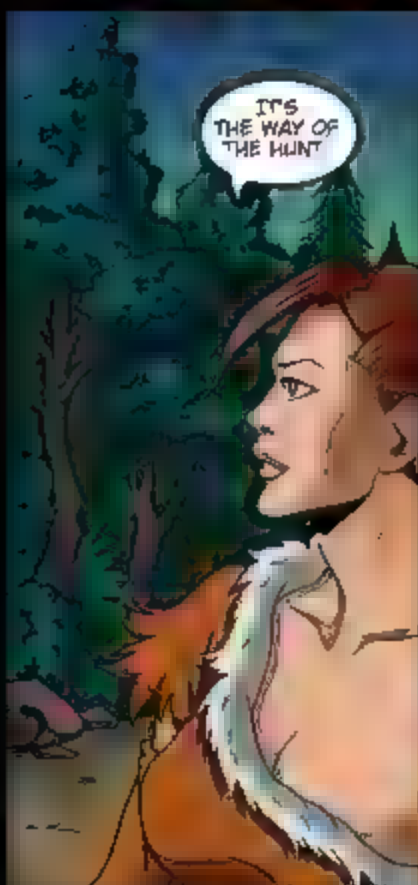




NICE
WILLPOWER,
FRODAITY



IT WAS
NO FAIR!
IT
SMELLED
SO GOOD!



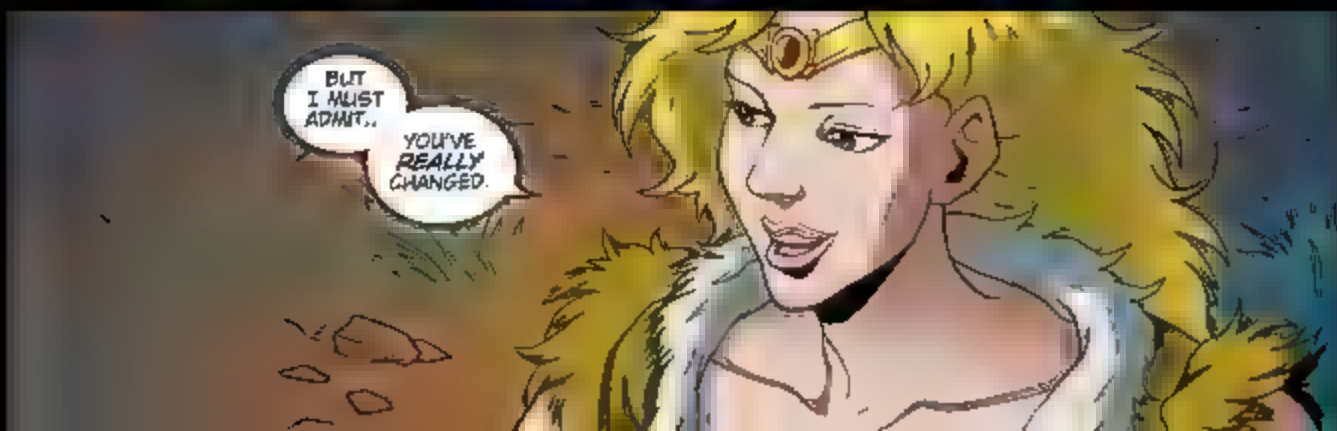
IT'S
THE WAY OF
THE HUNT



WE
TOOK WHAT
WE NEEDED,
AND LEFT THE
REST FOR THE
TIGER AND
OTHERS.

THAT
CREATURE
DIED SO THAT
MANY MIGHT
LIVE.

I CAN
UNDERSTAND
THAT...



BUT
I MUST
ADMIT..
YOU'VE
REALLY
CHANGED.



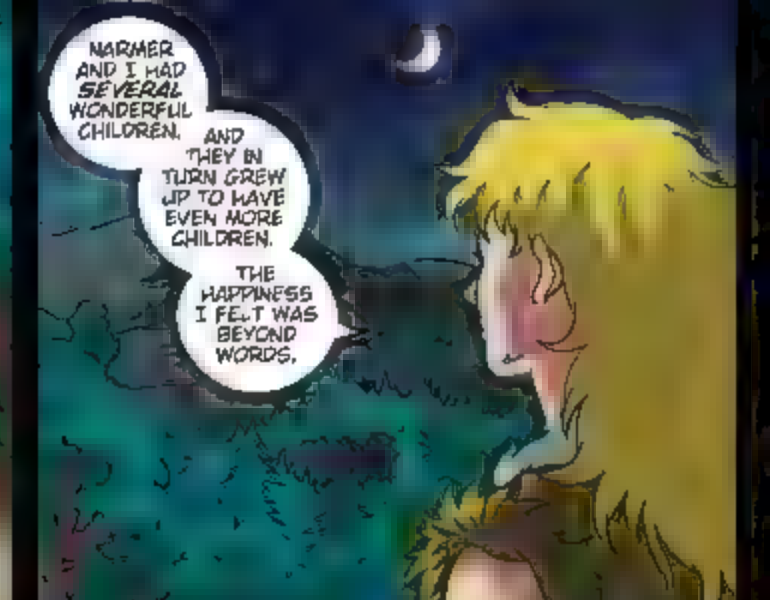
I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE WHO HAS CHANGED.

WHY DID YOU LEAVE YOUR FAMILY?

I THOUGHT YOU LOVED BEING PART OF THE ROYAL FAMILY.

I KNOW YOU'RE TEASING ME...

BUT I REALLY DID LOVE IT



HARDER AND I HAD SEVERAL WONDERFUL CHILDREN.

AND THEY IN TURN GREW UP TO HAVE EVEN MORE CHILDREN.

THE HAPPINESS I FELT WAS BEYOND WORDS.



BUT BEFORE I KNEW IT, MY HUSBAND HAD GROWN OLD AND DIED.

AND MY CHILDREN WERE ALL OLD AND BECOMING GRANDPARENTS IN TURN.



THEY DIDN'T NEED A RELIC FROM THEIR PAST INTERFERING WITH THEIR LIVES.



IT WASN'T FAIR TO THEM FOR ME TO STAY

SO I LEFT



I'M
SO SORRY
FOR YOUR
LOSS.

YOU
COULD HAVE
STAYED WITH
THE OTHERS IN
THEIR BASE AT
HALOPOLIS.

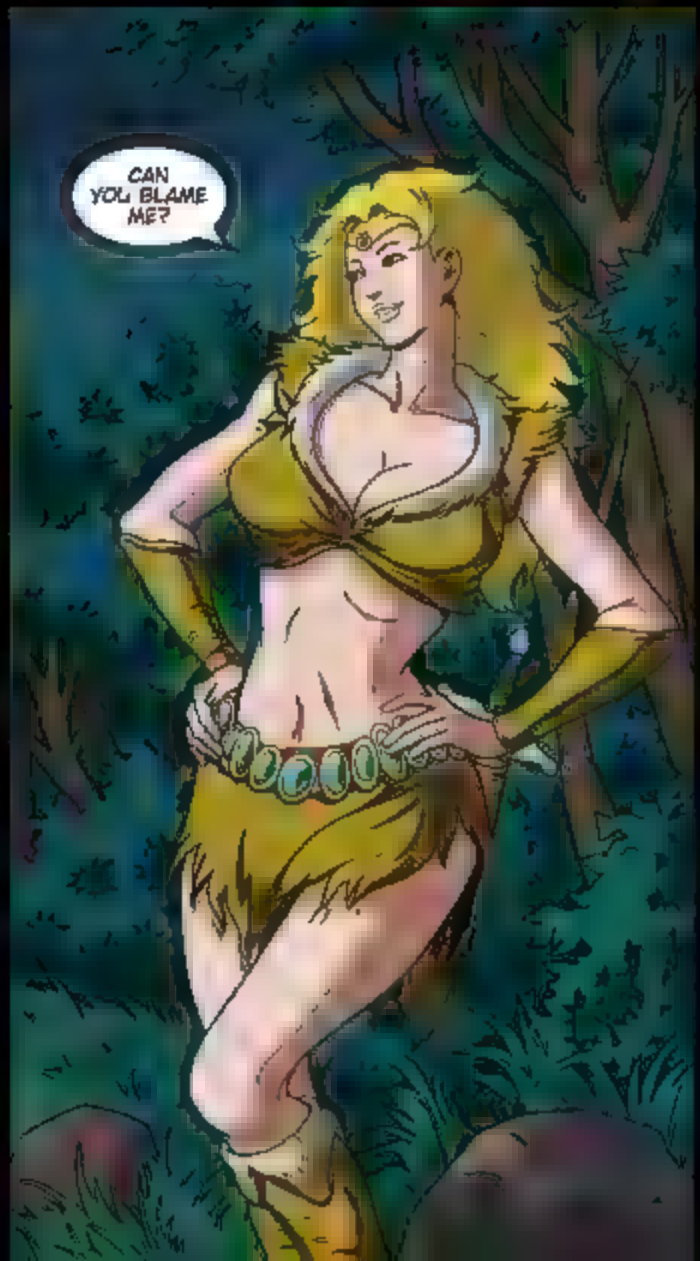
I
TRIED
THAT.



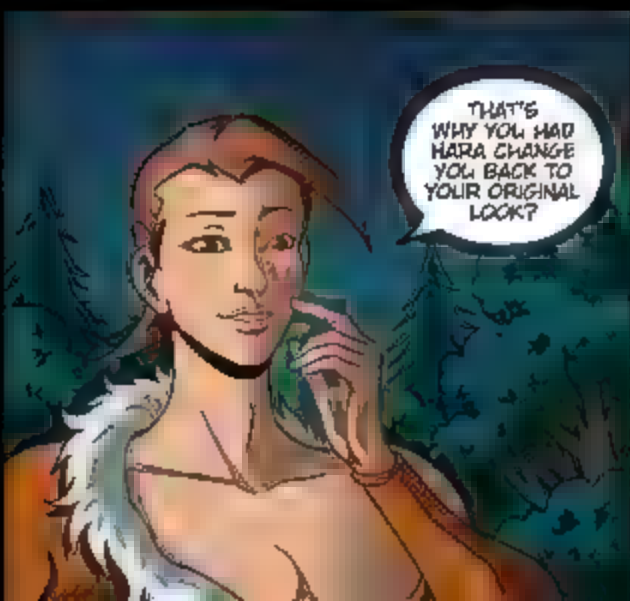
BUT
IT WAS
STILL TOO
CLOSE FOR
COMFORT



IT WAS
BEST TO
JUST MAKE A
CLEAN BREAK
OF THINGS
AND START
FRESH.



CAN
YOU BLAME
ME?



THAT'S
WHY YOU HAD
HARA CHANGE
YOU BACK TO
YOUR ORIGINAL
LOOK?



GLAD
TO SEE YOU'RE
IN GOOD SPIRITS
AGAIN SO
QUICKLY

SORRY
IF I WAS A
LITTLE MOREY
JUST NOW ..



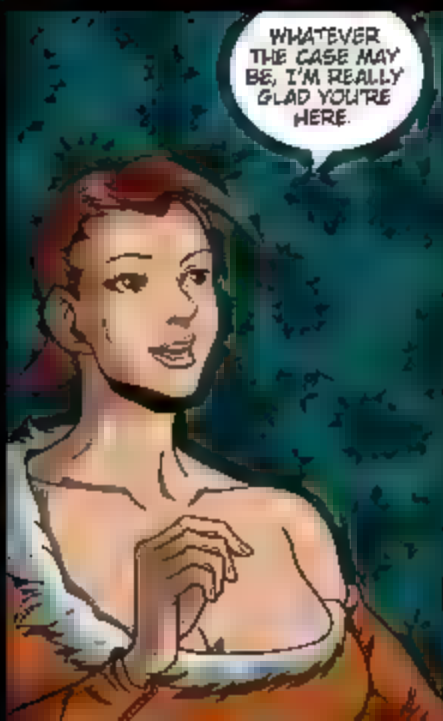
YOU
CAN ALWAYS
TALK TO
ME..

THIS
IS REALLY
THE FIRST
I'VE BEEN
ABLE TO TALK
TO ANYONE
ABOUT IT.

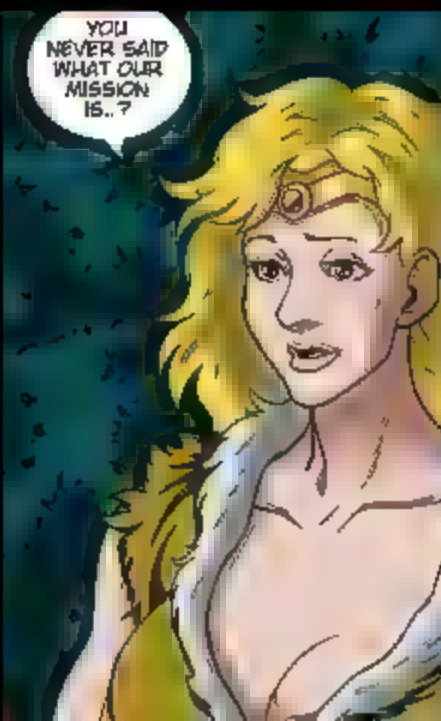


I SEE..
SO THAT'S WHY
YOU ASKED TO
GO WITH ME ON
THIS MISSION?

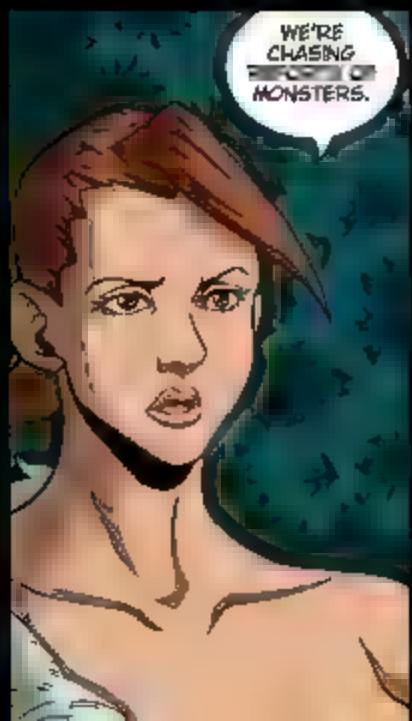
WELL
IT CERTAINLY
WASN'T FOR YOUR
COOKING!



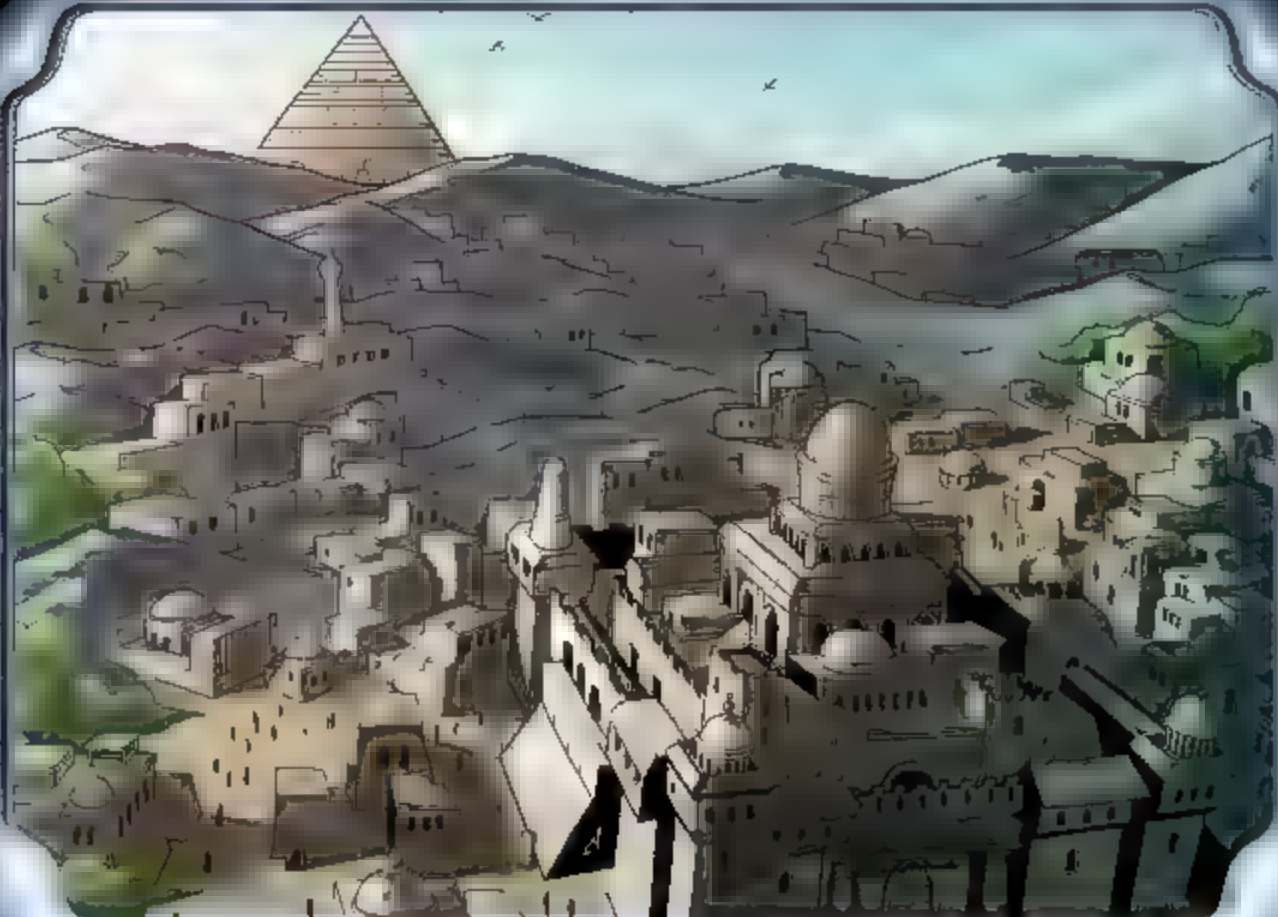
WHATEVER
THE CASE MAY
BE, I'M REALLY
GLAD YOU'RE
HERE.



YOU
NEVER SAID
WHAT OUR
MISSION
IS..?



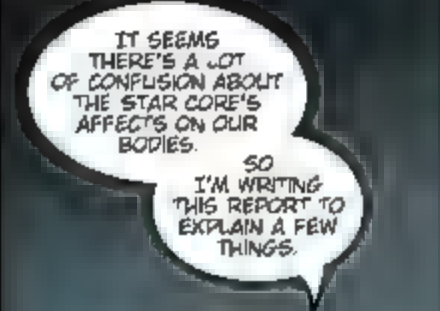
WE'RE
CHASING
MONSTERS.



Region: Memphis
Kingdom: Egypt
Leaders: Kronos and later Pharaoh Narmer (Menes)
Population: Between 50,000 - 100,000 citizens
Tech Rating. Bronze and base metal working and masonry. Chief architectural achievement was their city wall.

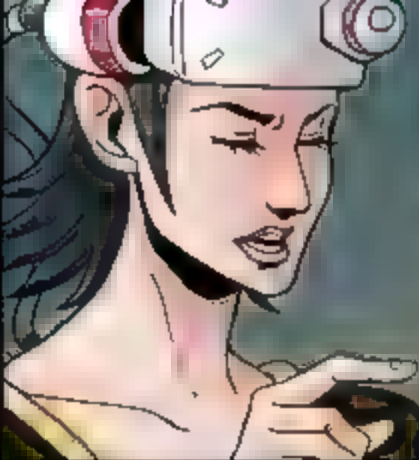
The capital city, Memphis, was founded and built by Kronos after capturing it from the self-styled god-king soon after the Tytans landed. It was modeled after architecture from Kronos' homeworld and built on the backs of the humans that the Tytans had enslaved. It was named after the city Kronos was born in, and meant to be the seat of power he would build his new empire from. After the Tytans were defeated, his adopted son Menes (aka Narmer) built upon the city and helped its citizens find new prosperity. Memphis became a beacon that united the citizens of the Nile into one unified country. Later his son, Horaha, and other descendents would continue the legacy started by their father

They were protected by an elite cadre of Ulympeans based out of Halopolis. But most importantly, the strength of their own standing army, was a force to be reckoned with for thousands of years.



IT SEEMS THERE'S A LOT OF CONFUSION ABOUT THE STAR CORE'S EFFECTS ON OUR BODIES.

SO I'M WRITING THIS REPORT TO EXPLAIN A FEW THINGS.



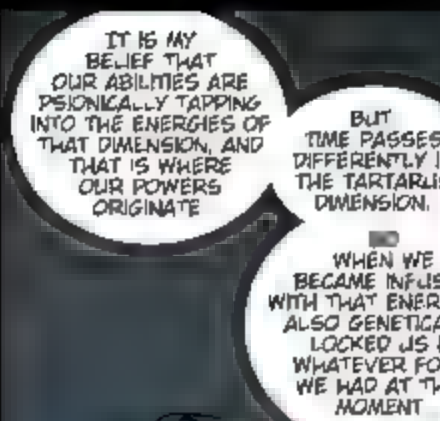
ONE OF THE MAIN THINGS PEOPLE DON'T UNDERSTAND, IS WHY THEY CAN'T CUT THEIR HAIR OR LOSE WEIGHT



TO EXPLAIN THIS, FIRST WE MUST LOOK AT WHAT EXACTLY THE STAR CORE DID TO US.

THE STAR CORE ITSELF, IS ABLE TO BREACH OUR DIMENSION INTO THAT OF THE TARTARUS DIMENSION.

THE PHYSICS OF THAT DIMENSION ARE DIFFERENT FROM THOSE OF OUR OWN.



IT IS MY BELIEF THAT OUR ABILITIES ARE PSIONICALLY TAPPING INTO THE ENERGIES OF THAT DIMENSION, AND THAT IS WHERE OUR POWERS ORIGINATE

BUT TIME PASSES DIFFERENTLY IN THE TARTARUS DIMENSION.

WHEN WE BECAME INFUSED WITH THAT ENERGY, IT ALSO GENETICALLY LOCKED US IN WHATEVER FORM WE HAD AT THAT MOMENT

THIS IS WHY WE HEAL SO QUICKLY, AND DON'T SEEM TO AGE AT ALL...



AS A RESULT, WE CAN'T ALTER OURSELVES FROM THIS "DEFAULT" STATE.

AT LEAST, NOT WITHOUT THE USE OF AN ABILITY LIKE MY OWN.



BUT FOR THE SAKE OF MY SANITY, I'D ASK THAT YOU ALL KEEP YOUR "BODY MODIFICATION" REQUESTS TO A MINIMUM, PLEASE!

THANK YOU!



AYE,
ALL OUR
SCOUTS STILL
DINNAE KEN
WHERE HE
IS.

AND
MY VISIONS
ONLY NARROW
HIM DOWN TO
A RATHER
LARGE
AREA.

WE'VE
CONCENTRATED
OUR EFFORTS ON
THOSE AREAS,
BUT SO FAR WE
HAVEN'T FOUND
HIM.



IT'S
BEEN DECADES,
AND KRONOS STILL
HASN'T BEEN
FOUND.

THE
ONLY CLUES
WE HAVE ARE
RUMORS AND
CASSANDRA'S
VISIONS.

I
SEE.



AND
WHAT HAVE
YOU SEEN HIM
DOING MOST
RECENTLY?



I'LL
SHOW
YOU.



HERA
IS KRONOS
AT THIS VERY
MOMENT.

The panel is divided into three horizontal sections. The top section shows a man in a fur-trimmed cloak shouting and holding a sword, with a man in Greek armor standing behind him. The middle section shows a group of soldiers in armor fighting with spears and shields. The bottom section shows a soldier in armor fighting a man in a fur-trimmed cloak. Hera is in the foreground, looking up with a concerned expression. The background is filled with smoke and the sounds of battle.



EVERY
TIME I LOOK,
IT'S SOMETHING
SIMILAR TO
THAT

HE
APPEARS
TAE BE GETTING
READY FOR
WAR...



BUT
THEY APPEAR
TAE BE MOSTLY
HUMANS?



SURELY
HE DOESN'T
THINK THEY WOULD
POSE A THREAT
TO US.



I'VE
SEEN MANY
OF THESE SCENES
AND HE APPEARS
TO BE GETTING
ALONG WITH THE
HUMANS... EVEN
HELPING THEM

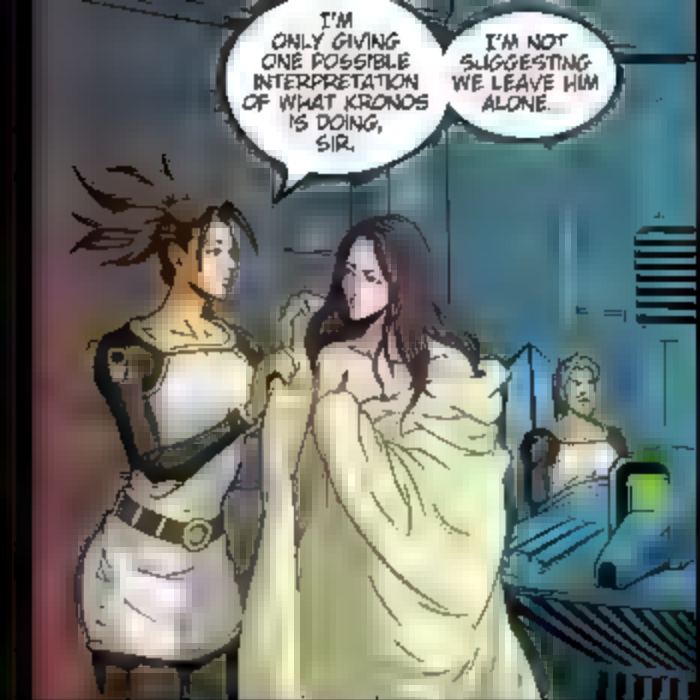
WHAT
ARE YOU
SAYING?



MAYBE HE
WANTS TO
ARMY TO FIGHT
AGAINST US.
BUT
HE'S SIMPLY
TRAINING THEM
TO DEFEND THEM-
SELVES?



THEN
MAYBE WE
SHOULD LEAVE
HIM BE.



I'M ONLY GIVING
ONE POSSIBLE
INTERPRETATION
OF WHAT KRONOS
IS DOING,
SIR.

I'M NOT
SUGGESTING
WE LEAVE HIM
ALONE.



ARE
YE MAD,
SURAS?

THERE
ARE NEARLY
ONE HUNDRED
THOUSAND
TYTANS OUT
THERE

YET WE'VE
SPENT DECADES
IN A FRUITLESS
SEARCH FOR
ONE MAN.



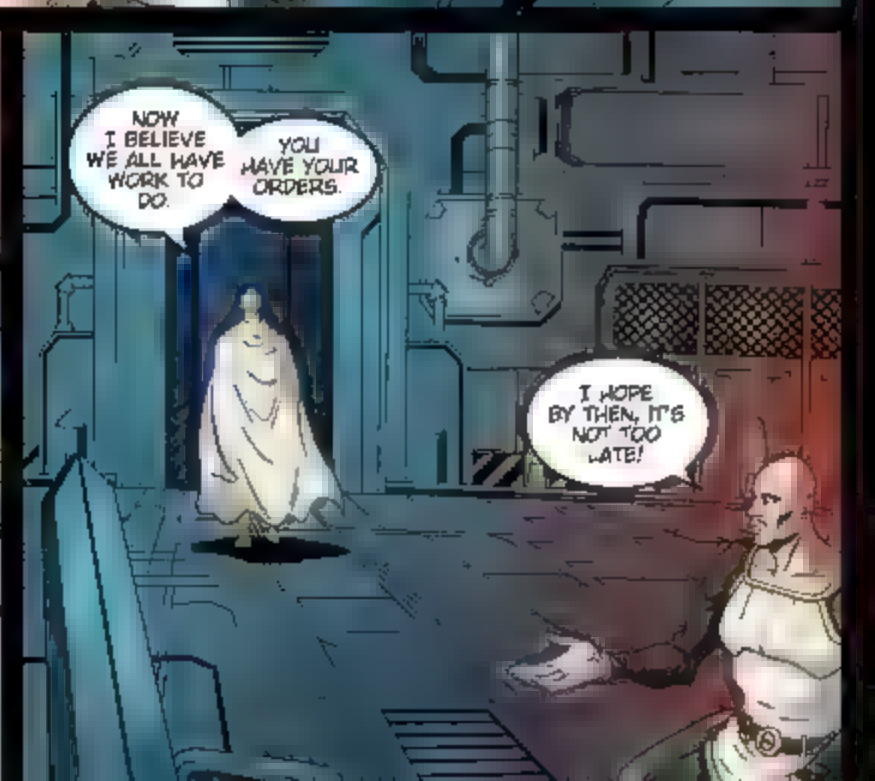
I'M ALL
FOR PEACE,
BUT WE CAN'T
IGNORE THE
FACT THAT
KRONOS IS A
DANGER.

ACH!
YE CANNAE
DENY HE IS
MASSING AN
ARMY!

DINNAE
WAIT FOR
HIM TAE HAVE
HIS KNIFE AT
YUIR THROAT TAE
SEE HIM AS
A THREAT



I'M
ONLY SAYING WE
FOCUS ON THOSE
WE CAN LOCATE,
AND SHOULD WE
FIND HIM, WE
REASSESS.

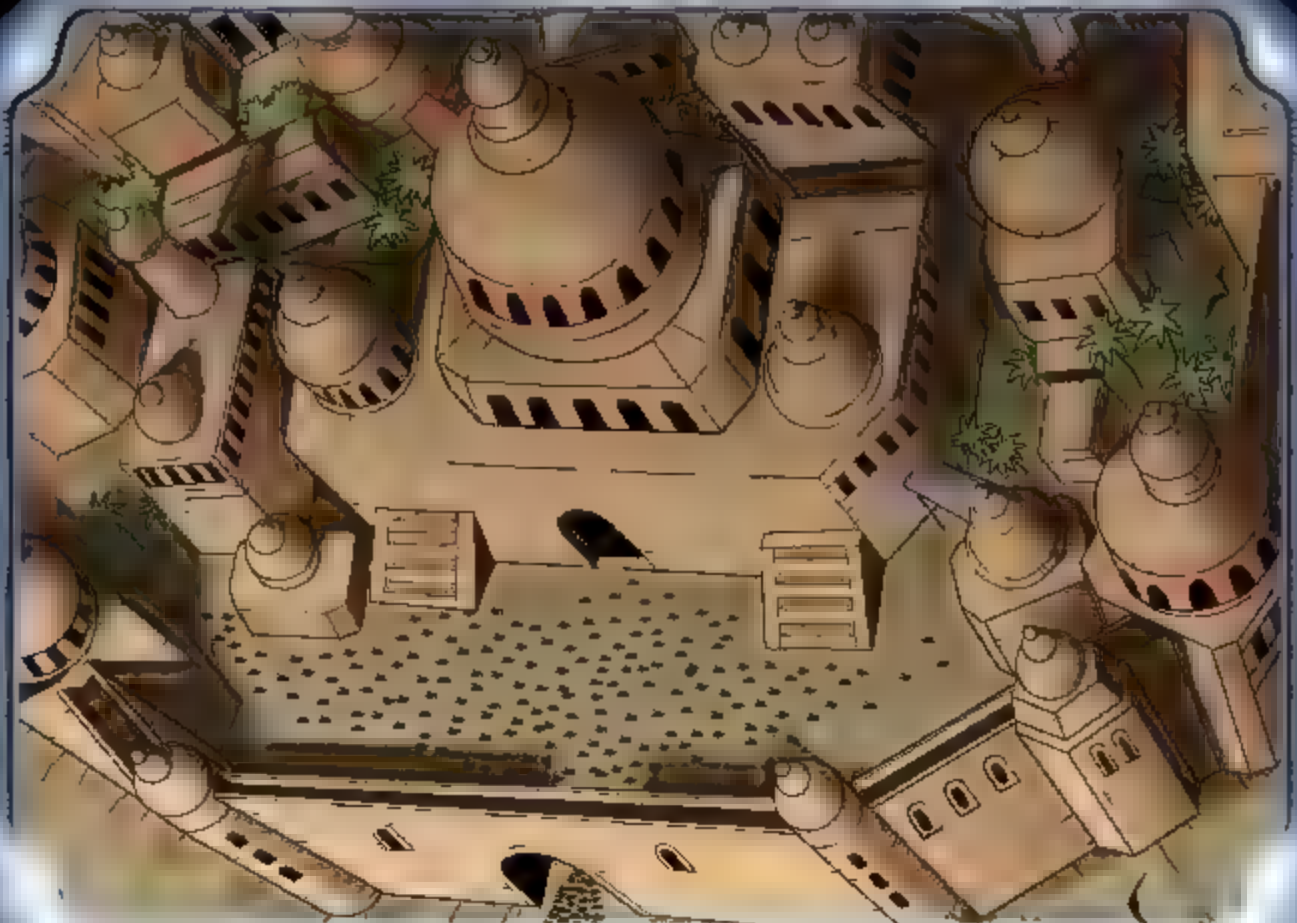


NOW
I BELIEVE
WE ALL HAVE
WORK TO
DO.

YOU
HAVE YOUR
ORDERS.

I HOPE
BY THEN, IT'S
NOT TOO
LATE!

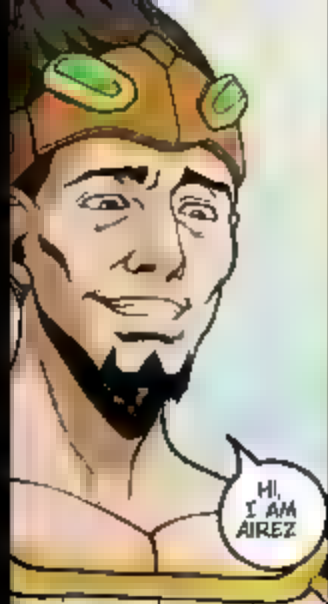




Region: Halapolis
Kingdom: Egypt
Leaders: Atume and later Reyorsis
Population. Between 1000 - 2,000 citizens
Tech Rating. Bronze and base metal working and masonry. Forcefield generator in sub-basement.

Halapolis started as an outpost along the Nile for Kronos' Egyptian empire. It was the first place attacked by the Ulympeans in their confrontation with the Tytans in Egypt. Most importantly, it was the location for the largest battle between both sides that would ever be fought -- a battle that would force Kronos out of the region. The original outpost was destroyed in the conflict, but was later rebuilt as a permanent home for a large contingent of Hekatones and Ulympeans who stayed in the region and its citizens to protect it from stray Tytans.

Atume had assumed leadership for many years, however he relinquished the role to Reyorsis shortly before his departure. Reyorsis proved to be a good leader and was well-loved by the native population -- who referred to him as Ra or Horus. Reyorsis eventually tired of correcting them on the proper pronunciation of his name ..



HI,
I AM
AIREZ



A
LOT OF
PEOPLE ARE
CONFUSED
ABOUT MY
POWERS
BUT
IT'S VERY
SIMPLE,
REALLY

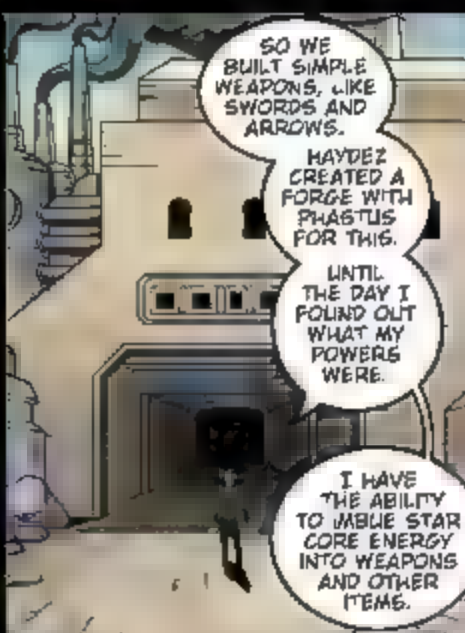


I MAKE
WEAPONS
WORK.



THE
STAR CORE
DRAINED ALL
OF OUR ENERGY
WEAPONS BEFORE
WE EVEN LANDED
ON EARTH

WE
HAD TO
IMPROVISE
AS A
RESULT.



SO WE
BUILT SIMPLE
WEAPONS, LIKE
SWORDS AND
ARROWS.

HAYDEZ
CREATED A
FORGE WITH
PHASTUS
FOR THIS.

UNTIL
THE DAY I
FOUND OUT
WHAT MY
POWERS
WERE.

I HAVE
THE ABILITY
TO JABBE STAR
CORE ENERGY
INTO WEAPONS
AND OTHER
ITEMS.



BETTER
STILL, I COULD
IMPART LIMITED
ASPECTS OF
OTHERS' STAR
CORE ABILITIES
INTO ITEMS AS
WELL.

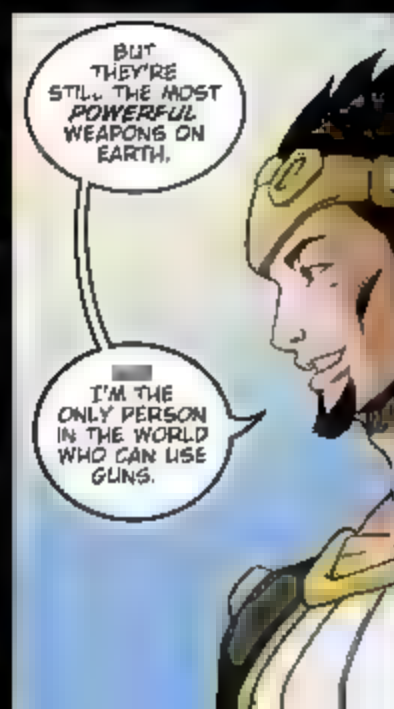
THIS
OPENED UP
A WORLD OF
POSSIBLE
WEAPONS WE
COULD MAKE



BUT
UNFORTUNATELY
ANY GUNS I
WOULD CHARGE
COULD ONLY
WORK IN MY
HANDS.



SO
THE OTHERS
STILL COULD
ONLY USE
SIMPLE
WEAPONS.



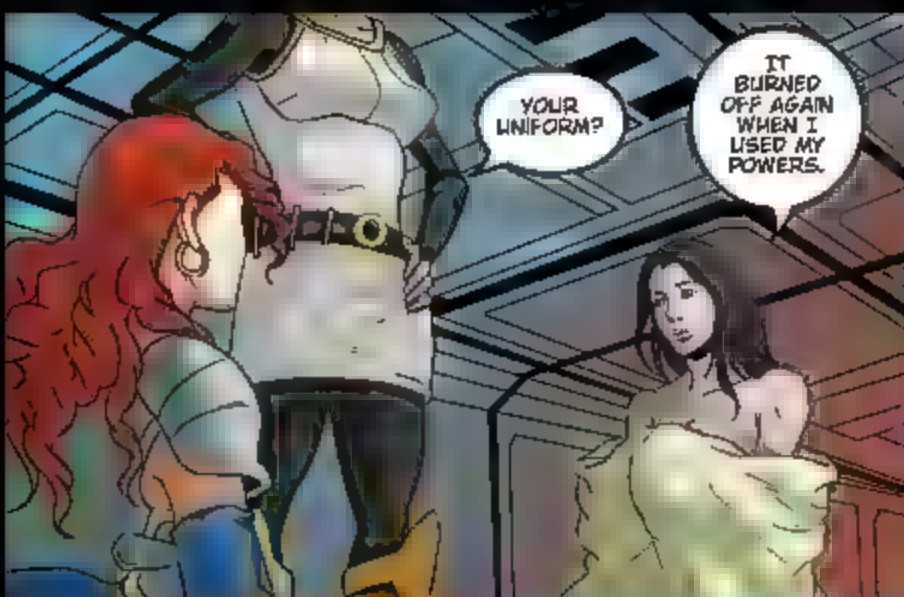
BUT
THEY'RE
STILL THE MOST
POWERFUL
WEAPONS ON
EARTH.

I'M THE
ONLY PERSON
IN THE WORLD
WHO CAN USE
GUNS.



YOU'RE
A PRECOG..
YOU REALLY
SHOULD HAVE
SEEN THAT
COMING,
CASSIE.

I WISH
MY POWERS
WORKED
THAT WAY ..



YOUR
UNIFORM?

IT
BURNED
OFF AGAIN
WHEN I
USED MY
POWERS.



MY
QUARTERS
ARE RIGHT
HERE.

YOU
CAN USE
ONE OF
MINE.



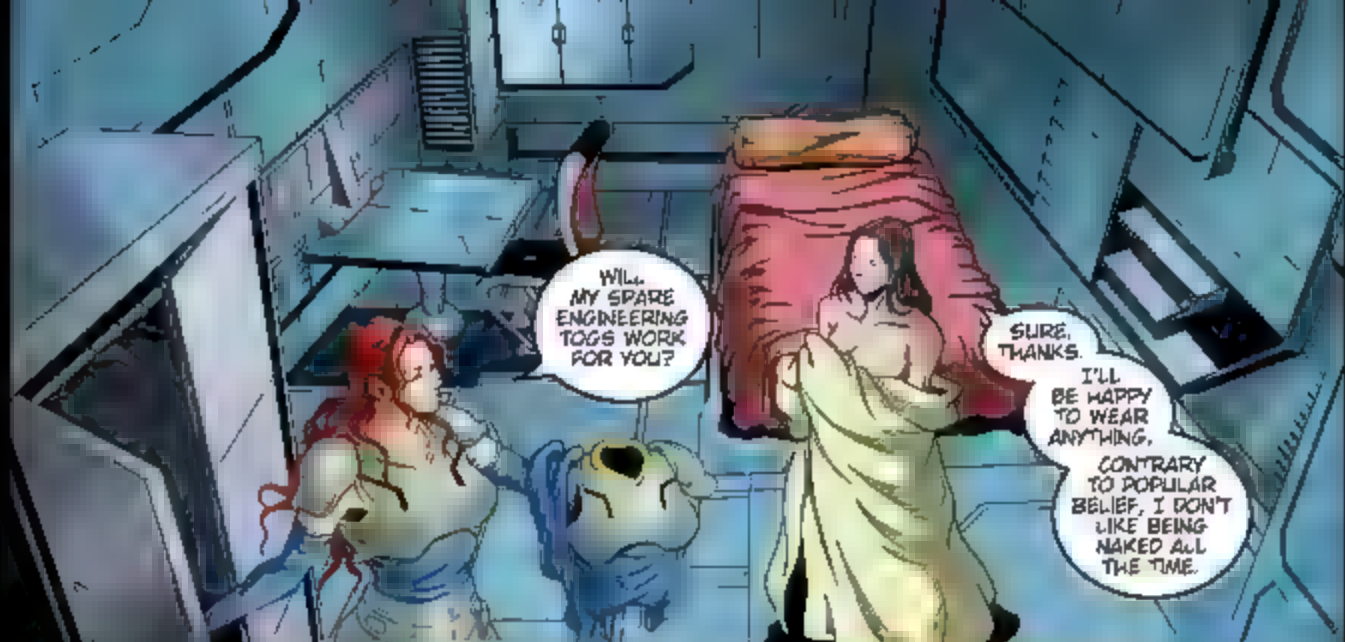
IT
SEEMS
YOU'RE IN
GOOD HANDS,
CASSIE.

I'LL
CATCH UP
WITH YOU
LATER.



UH,
SURE.

LATER.



WILL MY SPARE
ENGINEERING
TOGS WORK
FOR YOU?

SURE,
THANKS.

I'LL
BE HAPPY
TO WEAR
ANYTHING.

CONTRARY
TO POPULAR
BELIEF, I DON'T
LIKE BEING
NAKED ALL
THE TIME.



SO
WHY ARE
YOU STAYING
IN THE
SHIP?

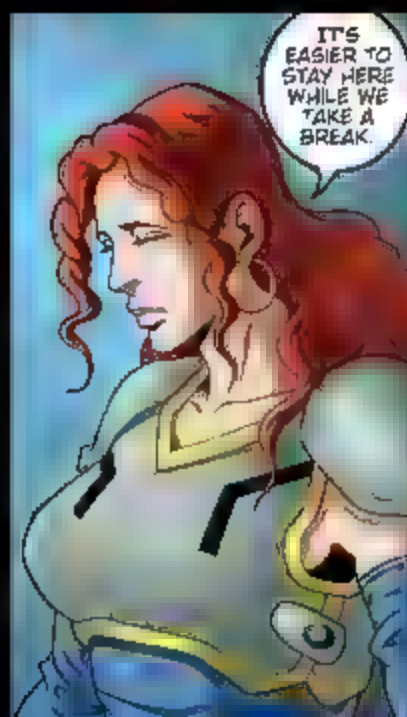
I
THOUGHT
YOU AND
METRE...



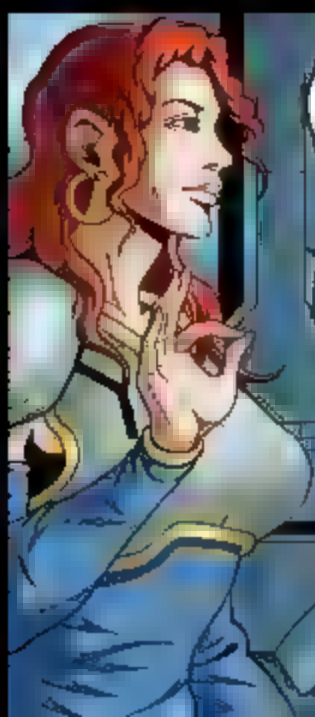
WE
WERE STAYING
TOGETHER IN THE
CITY, BUT

I'M
SORRY

I
DIDN'T
KNOW



IT'S
EASIER TO
STAY HERE
WHILE WE
TAKE A
BREAK.



IF
THERE'S
EVER ANYTHING I
CAN DO TO HELP,
DON'T HESITATE
TO ASK.

YOU
CAN COUNT
ON IT





THAT
TOWER.
WE DEFINITELY
HAVE A TYTAN
PRESENCE
HERE.

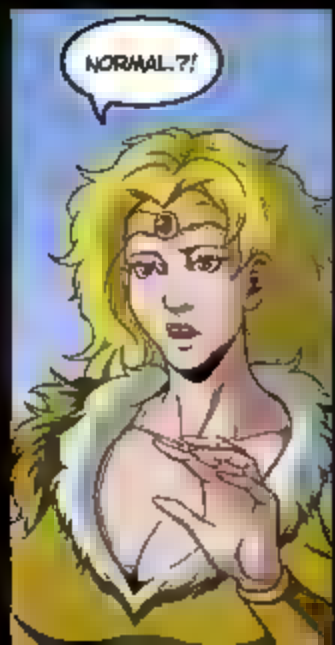
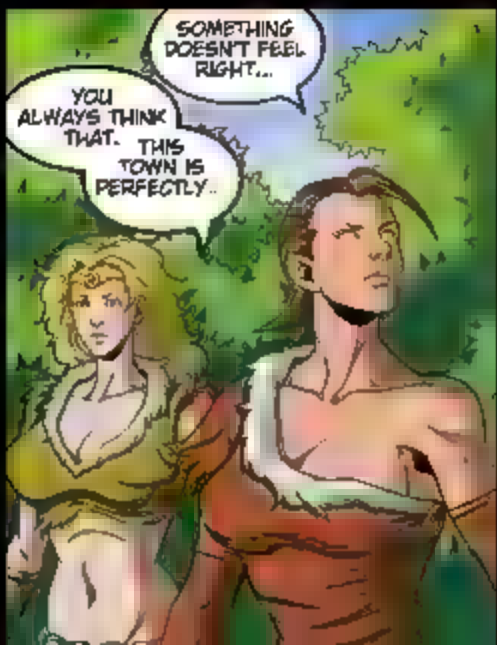


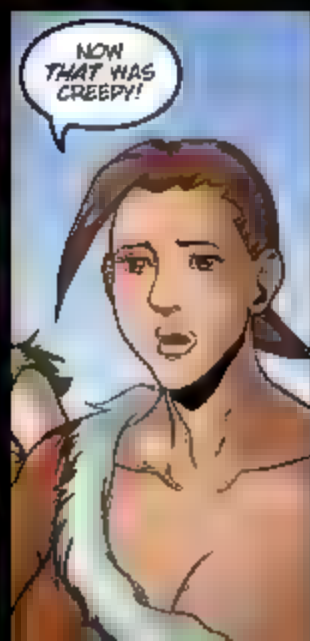
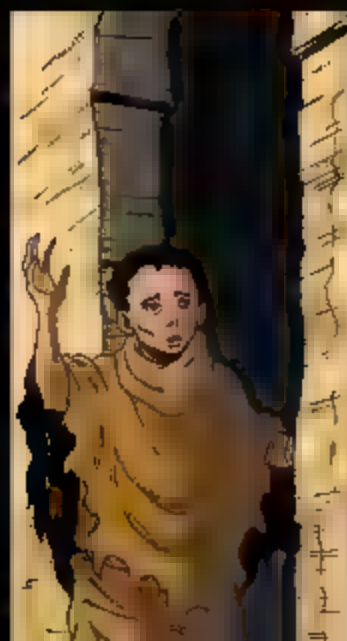
I
AGREE
BUT THE
QUESTION
IS...
WHO?

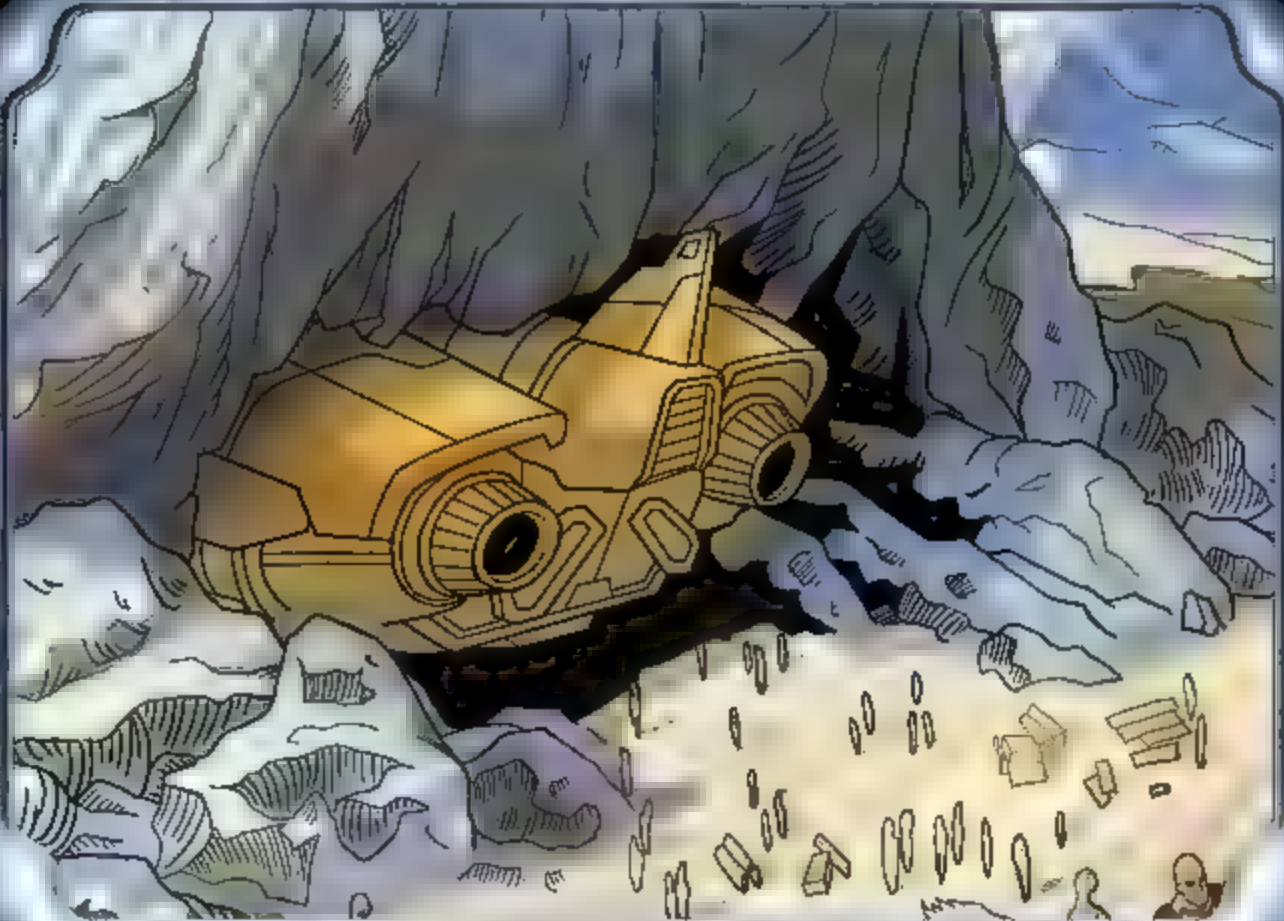


LET'S
GO FIND
OUT

WHY DO
I SUDDENLY
FEEL LIKE
THAT IS A
REALLY BAD
IDEA?







Region: Mount Ulympea - Greece region
Kingdom: None affiliated - controlled by Ulympeans
Leaders: Captain Suras
Population: Capacity of 5000. Formerly 1,800 citizens.
Tech Rating. Advanced Ulympean, but limited by technology and other materials not damaged by the Star Core.

For years after the Ulympea crash landed in the mountains of Greece, the Ulympeans made their home in the ruins of their starship. To keep prying eyes away from the crash site, Phastus erected a holographic shield that caused the ship to blend into its surroundings and remain undetected by any save those who knew its location.

This was not only bad for morale, it served to alienate the Ulympeans from their new home. The ship was mostly abandoned as a residence when Haydez and Phastus constructed the mountaintop settlement dubbed Mount Ulympea in the peaks above the crash site. Some crew still preferred to live in the ship rather than the city above it.

The ship itself, however, would remain the command center, medical center and engineering hub for millenia

STAR CORE

The Star Core (St'Kor) was an ancient artifact of the Ghuls. Its full potential and power are unknown, but it was capable of shunting the entire populace of the Ghul throne world into the Tartarus (T'tarus) dimension. It's dimensional spanning energies seem to draw on and focus extra-dimensional energies in an almost limitless fashion.

When Kronos attempted to use the St'Kor to effect his escape by opening a wormhole, he neglected to notice that its containment sphere was compromised, resulting in an uncontrolled release of energy that affected both the people aboard the Tytan and the Ulympea. Both ships were shunted across the universe, draining their primary power cells in the process, stranding them on Earth.

Simultaneously, all beings aboard both ships were altered as well. They were granted practical immortality and infused with energies that granted them extraordinary abilities, powers and even other mutations. These powers would lead the indigenous population of Earth to worship them as gods.

The reason for the diverse powers and mutations is simple. The Star Core reacted with each individual, causing them to be able to access interdimensional energies. These energies would take the form of whatever mental predisposition the affected party already possessed. So, for instance, someone whose personal view was about being as strong as they could be would find they had incredibly strength. A person obsessed with speed would be fast. A person disgusted by themselves might be horribly mutated. In short, the Star Core abilities are psionic in nature and tap into the psyche for their manifestations.

Star Core affected beings cannot breed with one another, as the resulting offspring would literally burn itself out in the womb by the combined Star Core powers. However, the Pantheans had long ago developed the ability to create hybrids between their species through genetic manipulation. Thus, by breeding with humans, the resulting hybrid could survive. Many such children might later gain superhuman abilities themselves, though never to the same level as their parents, nor did they ever gain immortality. The abilities diminish quickly with each generation.

HELLO,
YOUNG
MAN.

WE
ARE HERE
TO HELP IN
ANY WAY
WE CAN.

YOU
MAY CALL
ME...
RAHTI.

AND MY
NAME IS...
DURGA.

THERE'S
NO NEED TO
HIDE FROM
US...

PLEASE.

YOU
MUST
LEAVE!

WE
WON'T
HARM
YOU.

I'M NOT
SCARED OF
YOU.

GOOD,
BECAUSE
YOU HAVE
NOTHING TO
FEAR FROM
US.

NO...
YOU DON'T
UNDERSTAND
ME...

I'M
SCARED
FOR YOU.

YOU
MUST
LEAVE
RIGHT
NOW.

WHY?

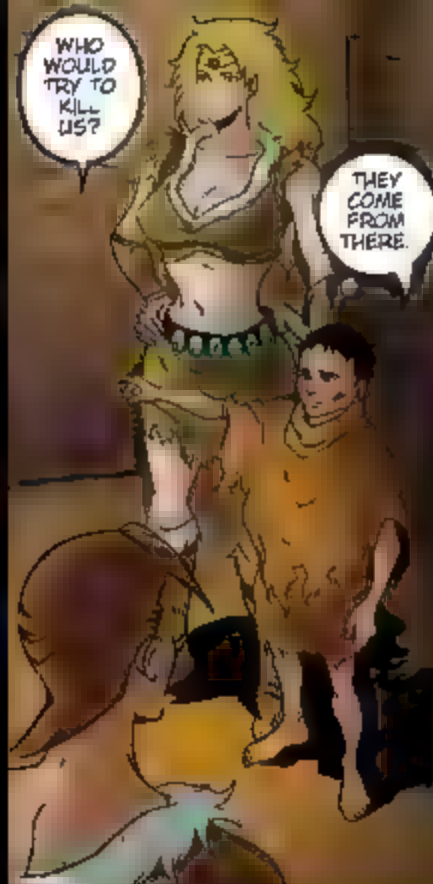
BECAUSE
IF YOU'RE
STILL HERE
AFTER THE SUN
SETS...

YOU
WILL
DIE!



THAT'S
SWEET OF
YOU TO WORRY
ABOUT US...

BUT WE'RE
PRETTY HARD
TO KILL



WHO
WOULD
TRY TO
KILL
US?

THEY
COME
FROM
THERE.

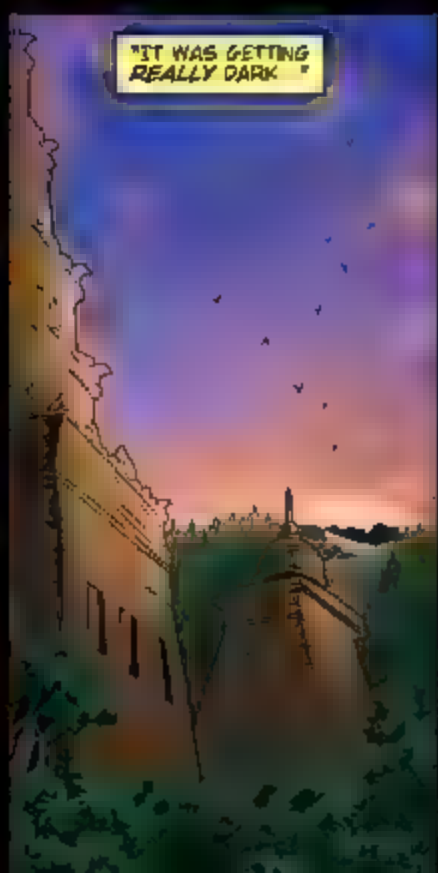


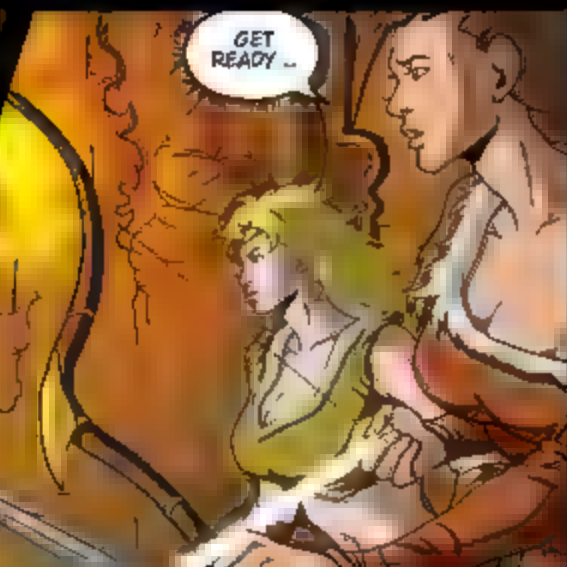
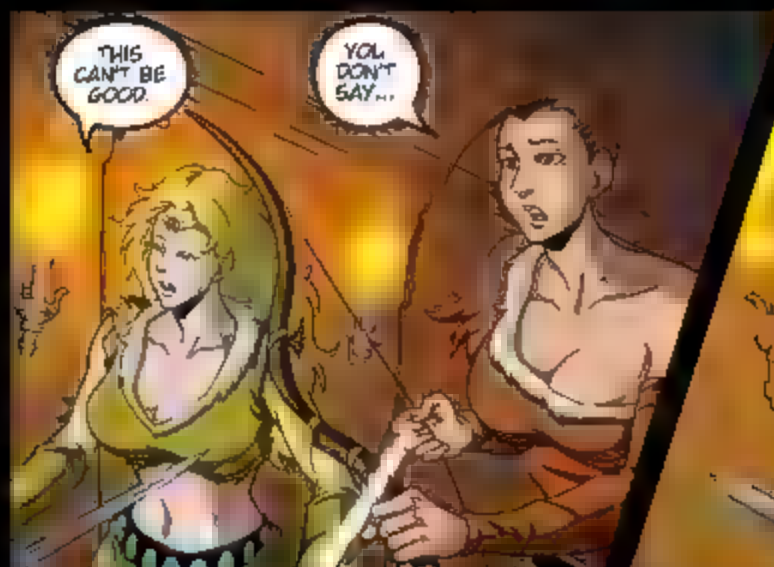
FROM
THE BIG
TEMPLE.



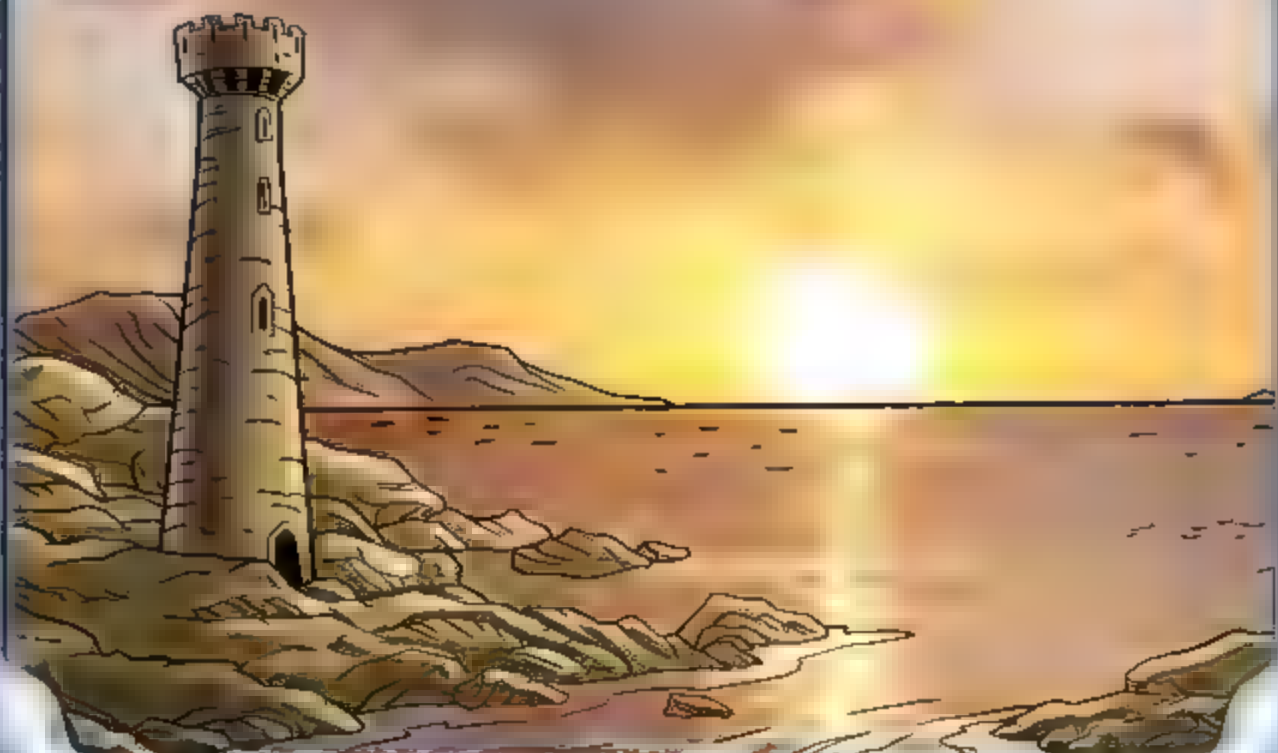
SO,
IS THIS
REALLY THE
WISEST COURSE
OF ACTION TO
TAKE?

YOU'RE
THE ONE
WHO SAID
WE'RE PRETTY
HARD TO KILL.







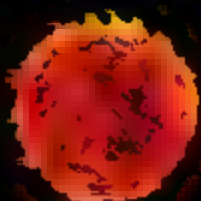


Region: Tower of B'bal - Nile Delta
Kingdom: Egypt
Leaders: Zanthyr
Population: Between 5 - 10 in the tower with a garrison of over 5,000.
Tech Rating. Bronze and base metal working and masonry. Tallest structure in the world at the time.

The tower of B'Bal stood as a watchtower for Kronos' Tytans at the Nile delta region. It was erected after subduing the region and erected as both a symbol of their superiority and a defense against any natives who might think to catch them unaware. The structure of the tower was so tall, that the natives believed it reached all the way to heaven. This proved to be the most crucial obstacle for the Ulympean Invasion during the Egyptian war. The Night Watch took on Zanthyr and his Watchmen in battle with the help of Hermaz (disguised as Thoth). Once defeated, Morfeaz used his telepathic abilities to alter their minds. They slept soundly while the Ulympean fleet slipped past them in the night. When they woke up, they had no memory of the battle and failed to alert Kronos of the impending invasion. After Kronos' defeat, the Watchmen destroyed the tower and fled the area. Many of the Watchmen still have yet to be captured, but the legend of the Tower lives on



PROTECT
JOIN TEAM SURAS



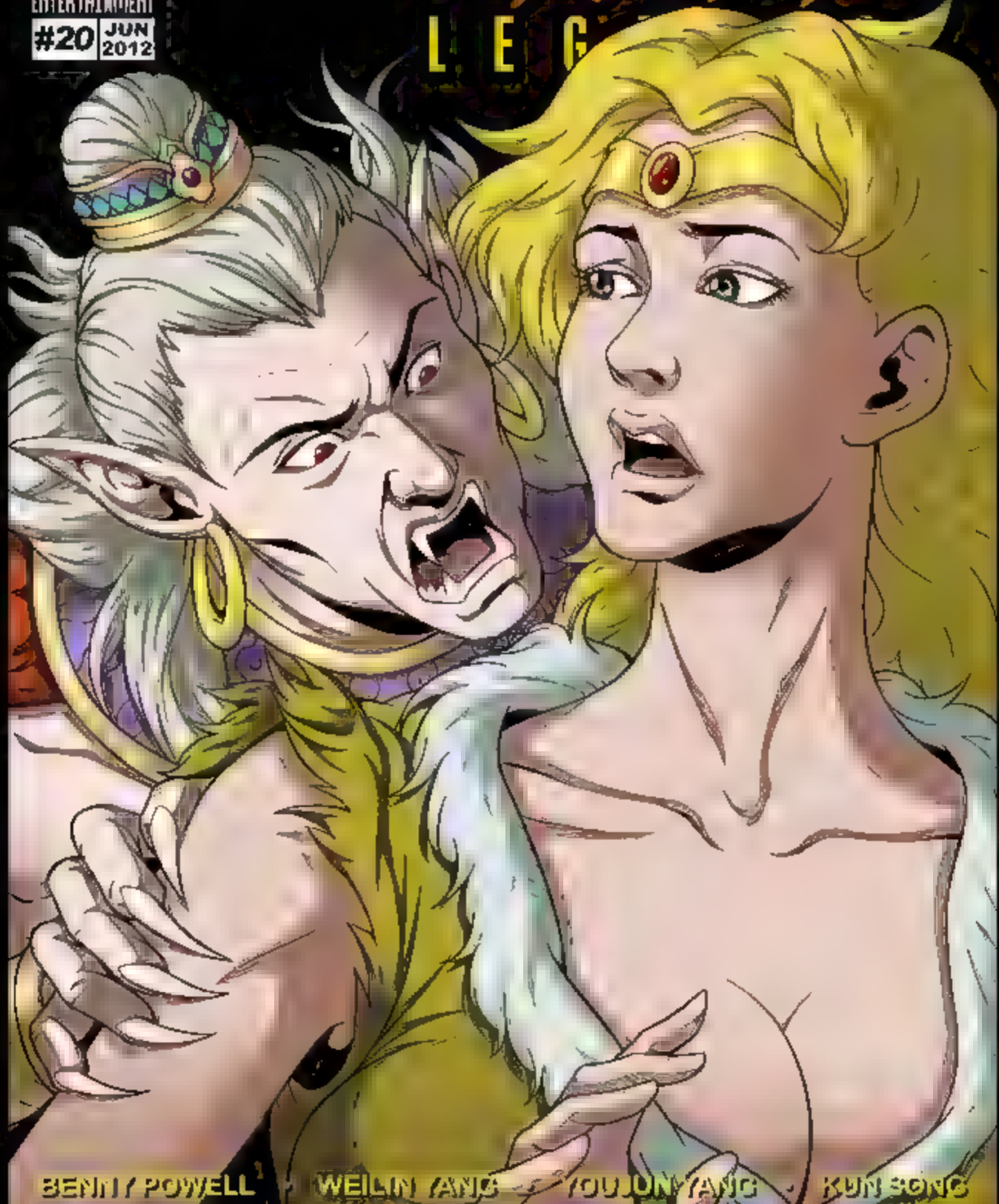
**RED
GIANT**

ENTERTAINMENT

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WAYWARD SONS

LEG



BENNY POWELL

WEILIN YANG

YOUJUN YANG

KUN SONG

DARKNESS, MY OLD FRIEND

WRITER &
ARTIST
BENNY R.
POWELL

PROFESSOR
WELIN
WANG

THREE FLEET CHARACTERS
FLEET
YOUNG
YANG

SCENES
KUN
SONG

THERE
ARE TOO
MANY OF THEM
TO TAKE
ON!

WE
HAVE TO
TRY

WE
CAN'T
ABANDON
THE PEOPLE
IN THE
VILLAGE!





YOU
MAY BE
RIGHT.

THERE
MAY BE
TOO MANY
OF THEM.

YOU
COULDN'T
HAVE SAID
THAT BEFORE
WE LEFT THE
HALL?



UFF!



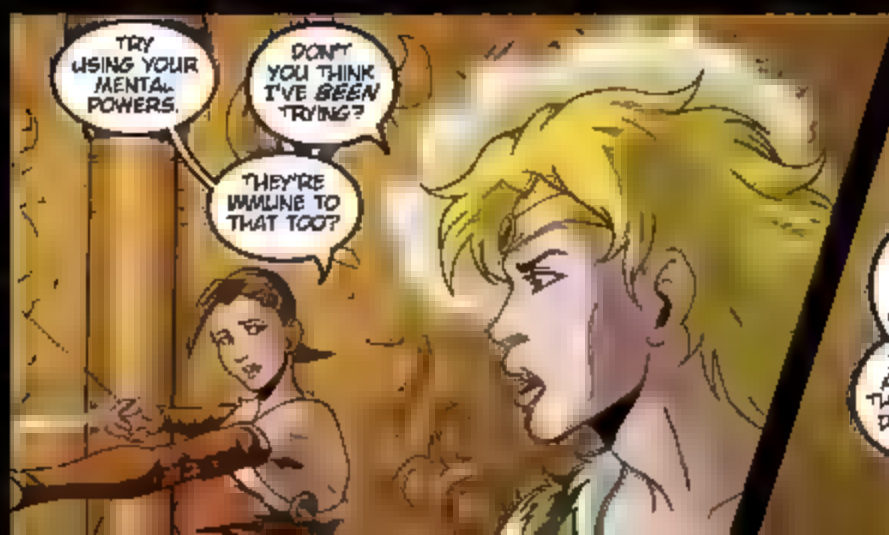
RAWR



MY
ARROWS
ONLY SEEM
TO ANNOY
THEM.

THEY
DON'T SEEM
TO FEEL
PAIN...

AND
IT'S TOO
HARD TO
GET A CLEAN
CHOP TO THE
HEAD.



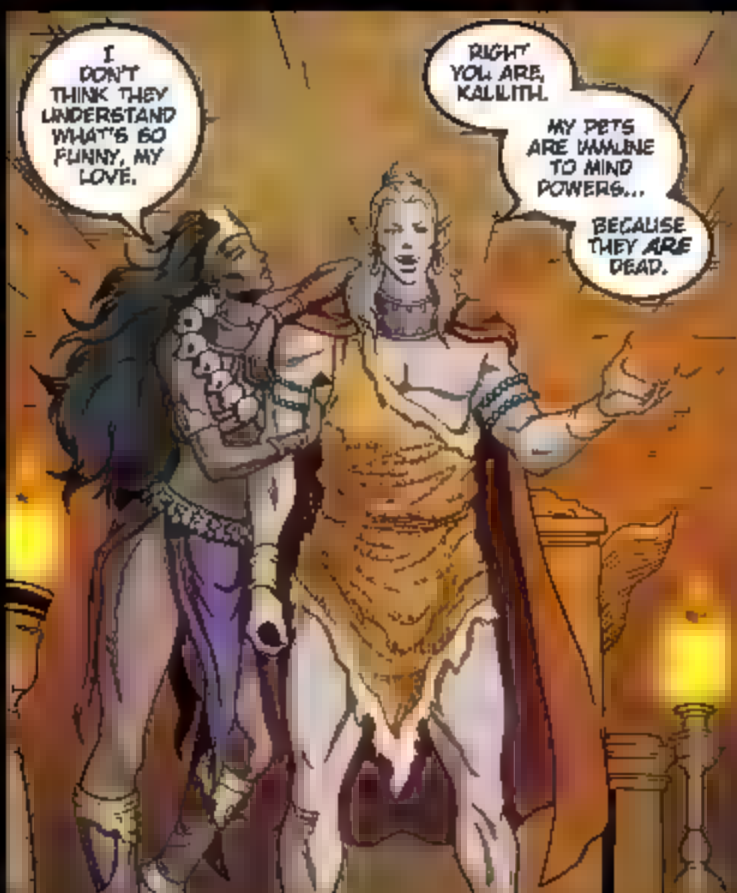
TRY
USING YOUR
MENTAL
POWERS.

DON'T
YOU THINK
I'VE SEEN
TRYING?

THEY'RE
WILLY-NILLY
TO THAT TOO?



I
CAN'T
SENSE
THEIR
MINDS AT
ALL.
IT'S
AS IF
THEY'RE
DEAD!



WHAT'S THE PLAN NOW?

I DON'T HAVE ONE.

WHAT DO YOU MEANT?

IF WE GET OUT OF HERE, WE GO FOR BACKUP.

BUT FOR NOW, RUNNING AWAY IS THE PLAN!

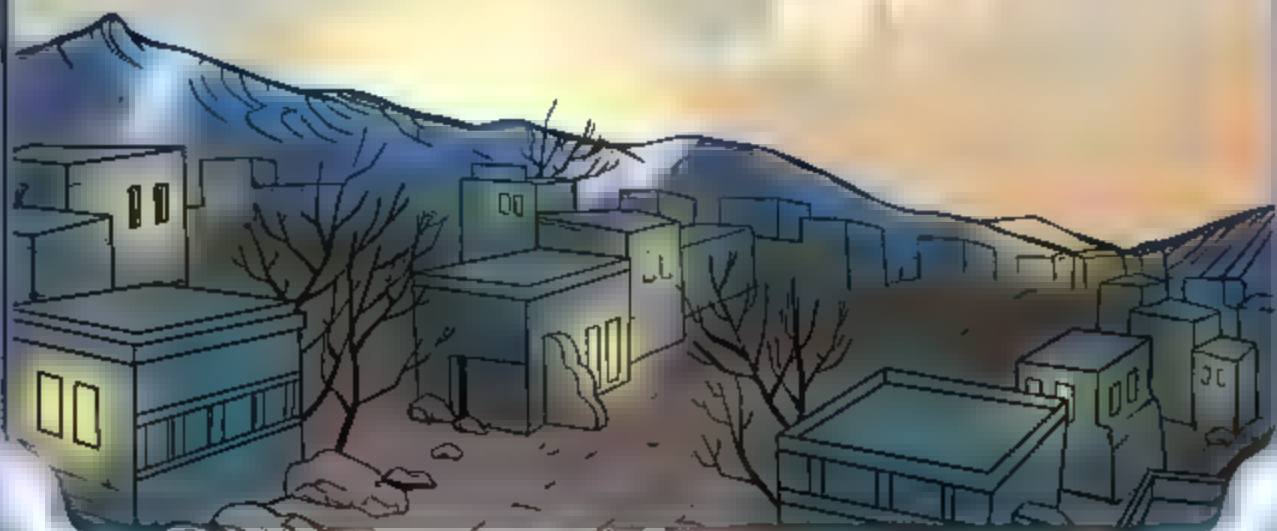
THEY'RE GAINING ON US!

OH CRAP.

WHEN WE GET OUTSIDE, WE SPLIT UP AND CIRCLE BACK TO CAMP.

WE'RE ALMOST HOME FREE

ANY MORE BRILLIANT PLANS?



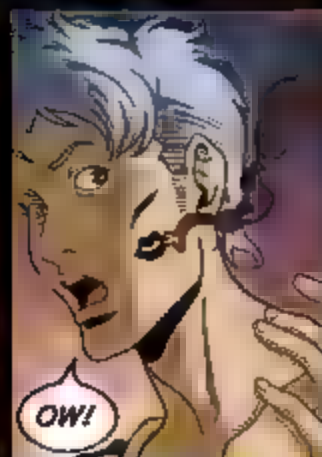
Region: Alpheios - Greece region
Kingdom: None affiliated - protected by Ulympeans
Leaders: Tribal council of elders
Population: Between 100 - 150 citizens
Tech Rating. Learned metal-working and ship-building craft from the Ulympeans.

The Alpheios valley was the home to a primitive group of humans native to the region until the arrival of the Ulympeans and Tytans. A shepherd from the tiny village witnessed the crash of the Ulympea and was the first to encounter them. Due to a malfunction in the translation circuits imbedded in the Ulympeans, he heard what they said slightly askew. It is for this reason that the people call these god-like beings the Olympians.

At first the Olympians tried to simply ignore their new neighbors. But when a rogue band of marauders led by H'mbawa kidnapped and destroyed their settlement, Suras led a team to rescue them. This led Suras to change their policy of separation. The people of the hamlet proved to be quite intelligent and quickly mastered the skills shown them. They were instrumental in helping to build the Ulympean fleet they used to defeat Kronos. In return, the village has grown and prospered.



POWER
JOIN TEAM KRONOS





WHY
ARE WE
STOPPING
HERE?

IPALYO
WAS WAVING
US DOWN.



SHE
WAS
RIGHT

SHE
SAID WE
WOULD MEET
YOU GUYS
HERE.



WHO
SAID
WHAT
NOW?



CASSIE.
WE
HAVE TO
HURRY!



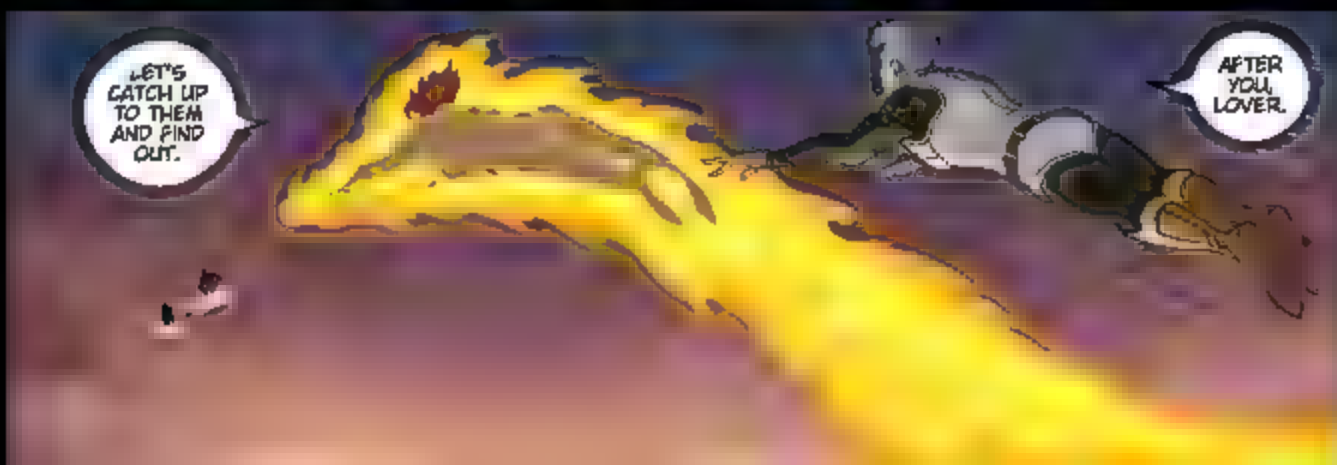
COME
ON.

WE'LL
EXPLAIN
ON THE
WAY



WHAT
IN THE
HELLS?

NO
CLUE.



LET'S
CATCH UP
TO THEM
AND FIND
OUT.

AFTER
YOU,
LOVER.

TEMIS
AND PRODAITY
ARE IN SERIOUS
TROUBLE!

EVER
SINCE SURAS
HALTED HER SEARCH
FOR KRONOS, HE'S
TASKED CASSIE
TO WATCH OVER
JES IN THE FIELD,
INSTEAD

I'M NOT
SURE I LIKE
BEING MONITORED
LIKE THAT FOR
ANY REASON...

BUT
WHAT DID
SHE SEE
EXACTLY?



JUST
THAT THEY
WERE OUT-
NUMBERED
AND COULD
DIE...

BUT
CASSIE
CAN'T TELL
LOCATIONS
OF PEOPLE,
JUST SEE
EVENTS.

HOW
CAN WE
EVEN FIND
THEM?

THIS
WILL GIVE US
A GENERAL
VICINITY.

THERE
ARE TRACKING
DEVICES IN OUR
WEAPONS THIS
CAN HOME
IN ON.

THIS
GETS WORSE
EVERY MINUTE,
DOESN'T
IT?

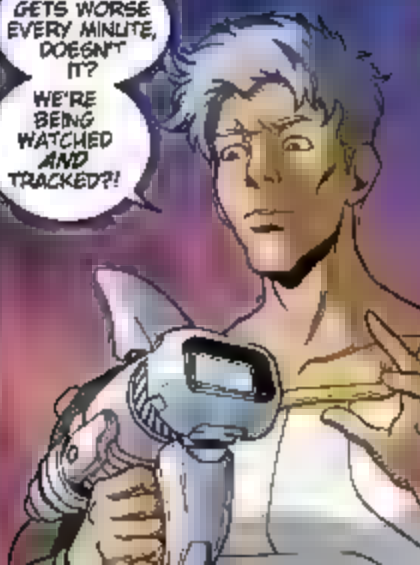
WE'RE
BEING
WATCHED
AND
TRACKED?!

FOCUS,
HERMAZI!

WE CAN
WORRY
ABOUT THAT
LATER.

LIVES
ARE ON
THE LINE,
NOW!

I HAVE
AN IDEA ON
HOW WE CAN
GET THERE
FAST!





ONE QUICK EXPLANATION LATER.





SETH, YOU MONSTER!

WHAT HAVE YOU DONE TO ALL THESE PEOPLE?

NOT THAT IT MATTERS, BUT DO I KNOW YOU?

I REALLY DON'T KNOW WHY YOU FIND IT HARD TO GRASP...

I KILLED THEM, AND THEY NOW SERVE ME.

I WISH I HAD KNOWN ABOUT THIS ABILITY A LONG TIME AGO.

BUT KRONOS NEVER LET ME FEED ON HIS HUMAN SLAVES.

MY DEAR KALI'ITH WAS THE FIRST ONE I EVER TURNED.

MUCH TO MY SURPRISE, MY KISS GAVE HER STRANGE NEW ABILITIES AND MADE ME STRONGER AS WELL.



BUT I MUST THANK YOU FOR SHOWING UP...

I'VE ALWAYS WONDERED WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF THEY DRANK OUR BLOOD.

NOW WE CAN FIND OUT



KALI'ITH, WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE THE FIRST TO DRINK?

I WOULD LOVE TO.



THEY LOOK SO INCREDIBLY TASTY



Name/Rank:	Zhiva Seth
Position:	Self-styled Diety
Starship:	Tytan Prisoner
Race:	Makayri
Homeworld:	Loc

Biography:

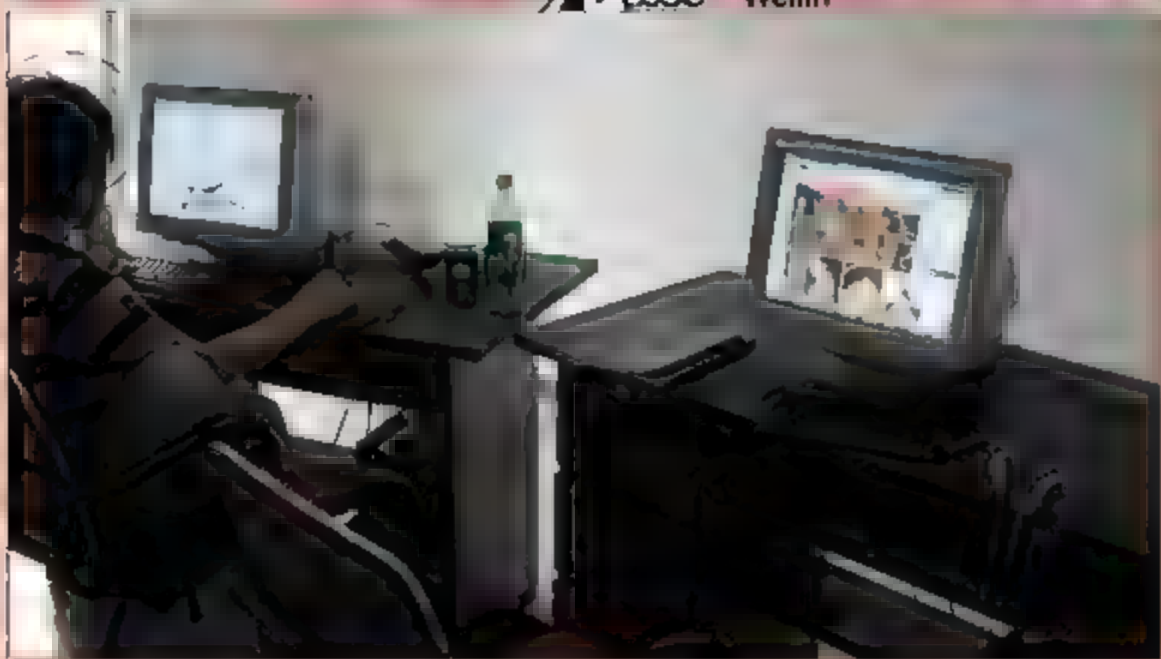
When Kronos seemingly abandoned them, Seth took this as a sign to seek his own path. He made his way to the Indus Valley region. He was half-starved during his travels, but found shelter with a beautiful young woman. She nursed him back to health, but his thirst for blood took over and he drained her fully – killing her. He mourned his loss of control and bit his own lip in his anguish. He kissed her lifeless body, sharing his own blood in the process with her. He was pleasantly surprised when she came back to “life” later that night.

Personality Profile:

Seth, is playful and energetic. He enjoys toying with people, and relishes his new abilities. Now that he can create followers, he feels that he has finally found his true purpose in life.

Powers / Abilities:

Seth has numerous abilities that stem from the consumption of blood. He has prominent canine teeth and incredibly strong, claw-like nails on his hands and feet. The primary purpose of these weapons is to rend flesh to allow him access to his victims' blood. The more blood he consumes, the more powerful he becomes. There is no known peak limit to his physical prowess, but by draining a single human, he can lift press several tons, move at blinding speeds, leap distances far enough to appear to fly and his senses are also greatly enhanced. He must feed on blood regularly to maintain these abilities or they begin to fade. A new twist is that if he drains a victim completely, and shares his blood, his unique powers reanimates his victim, and grants them similar powers to his own. Further, they obey him completely.



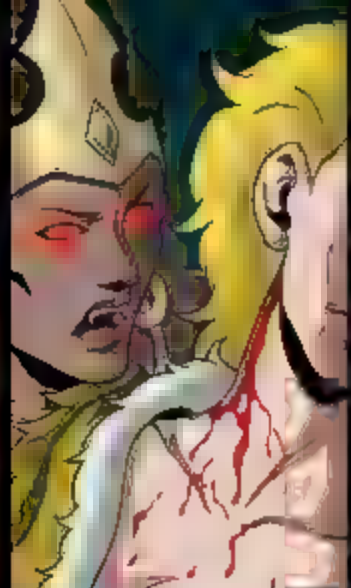
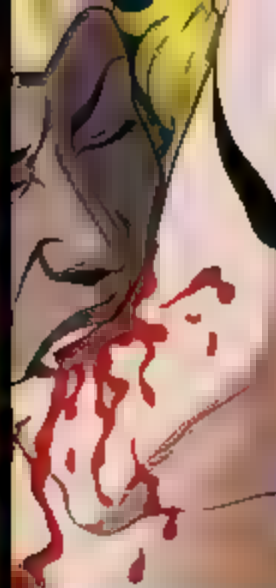
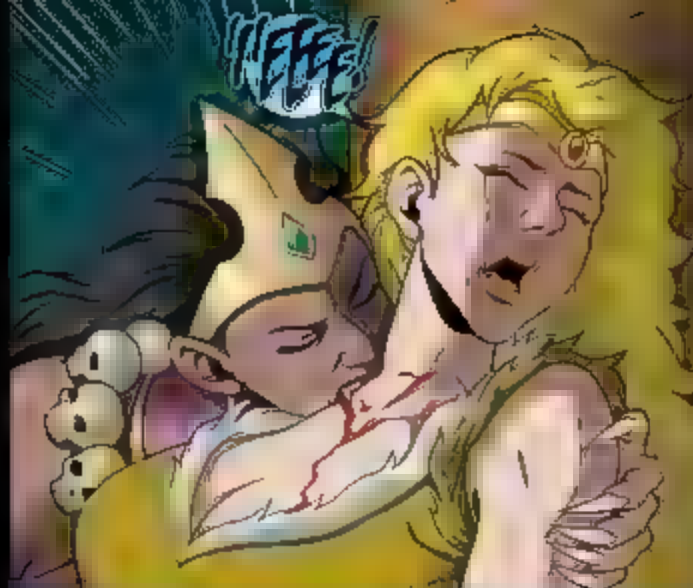
For many, the name "Twinkle Planet Studios" is often overlooked. It can seem like just a made up name for a group of guys. After all, many Webcomics are just hobbies. But Twinkle Planet is a real place at a real studio by a real group of extremely talented guys. So here are some pics of our guys hard at work. Wellin works remote, but the rest of the crew (some go uncredited) work at the office on a daily basis!

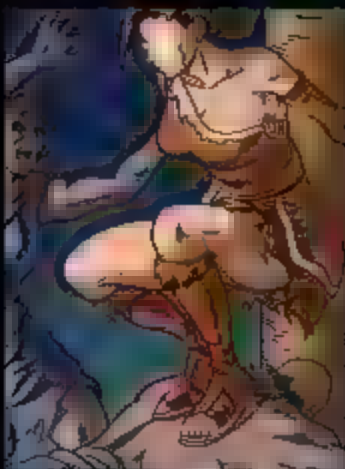


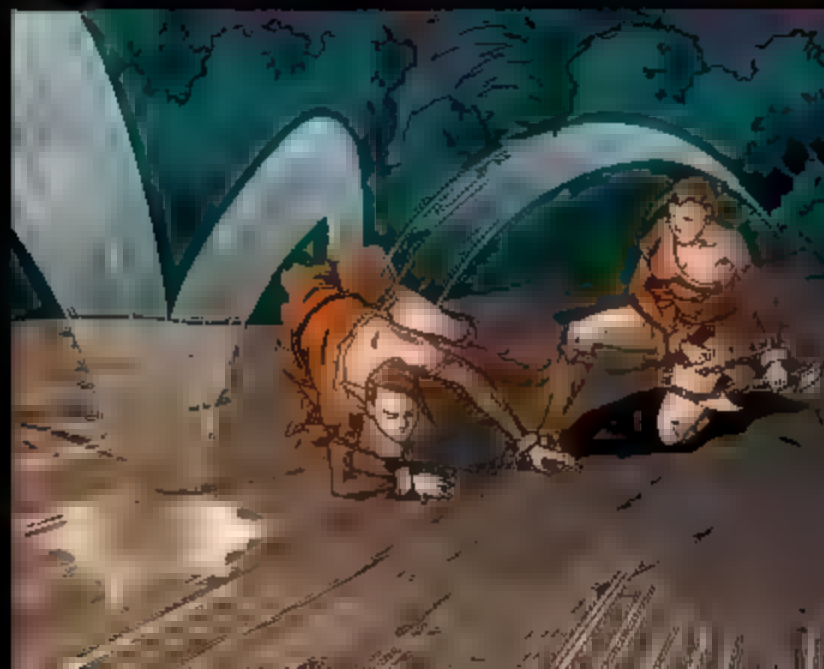
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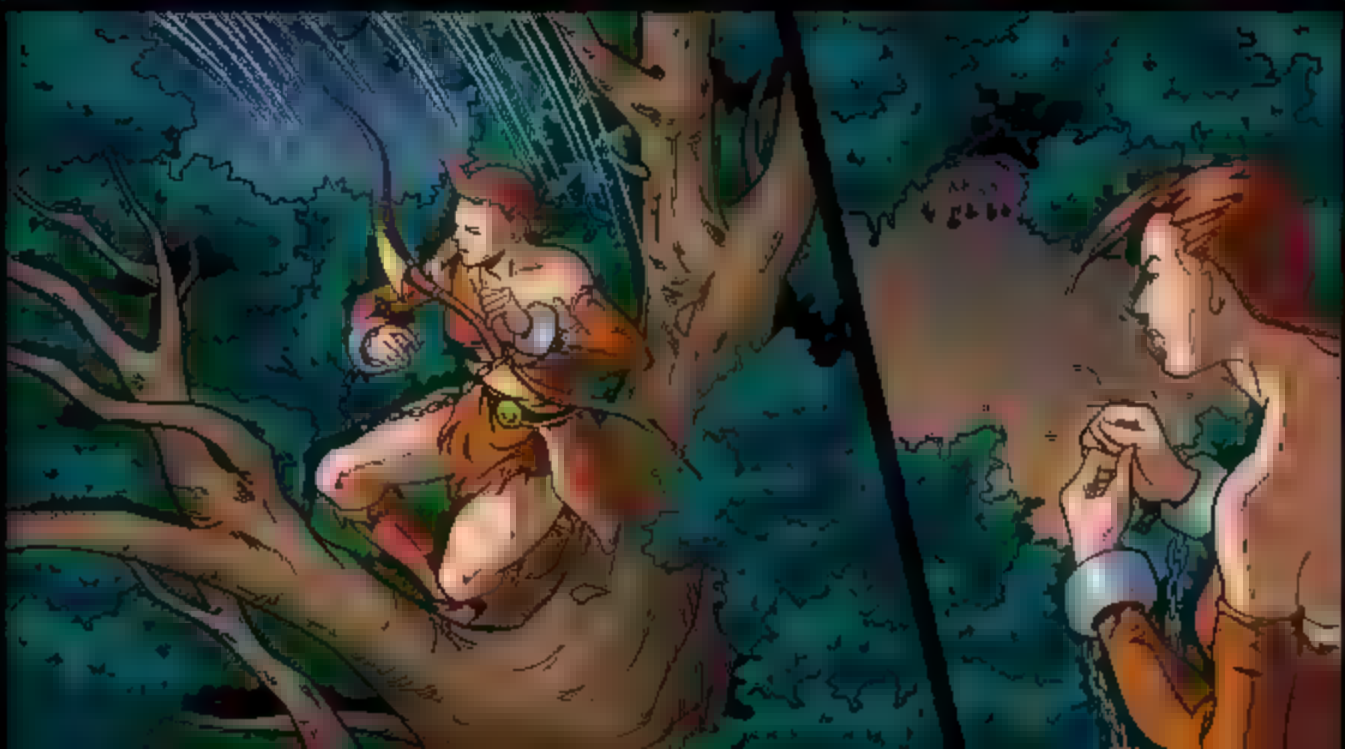
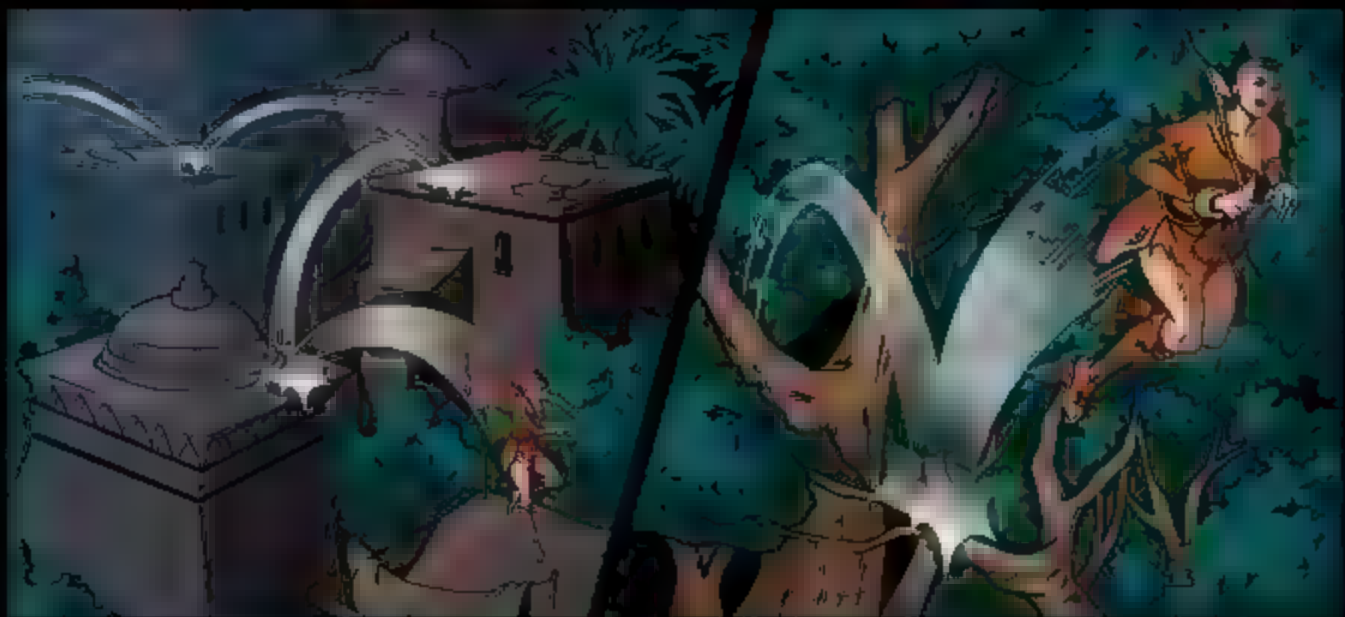
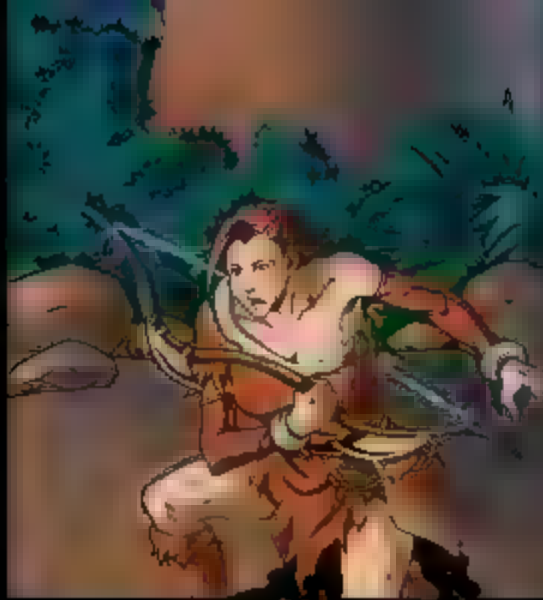


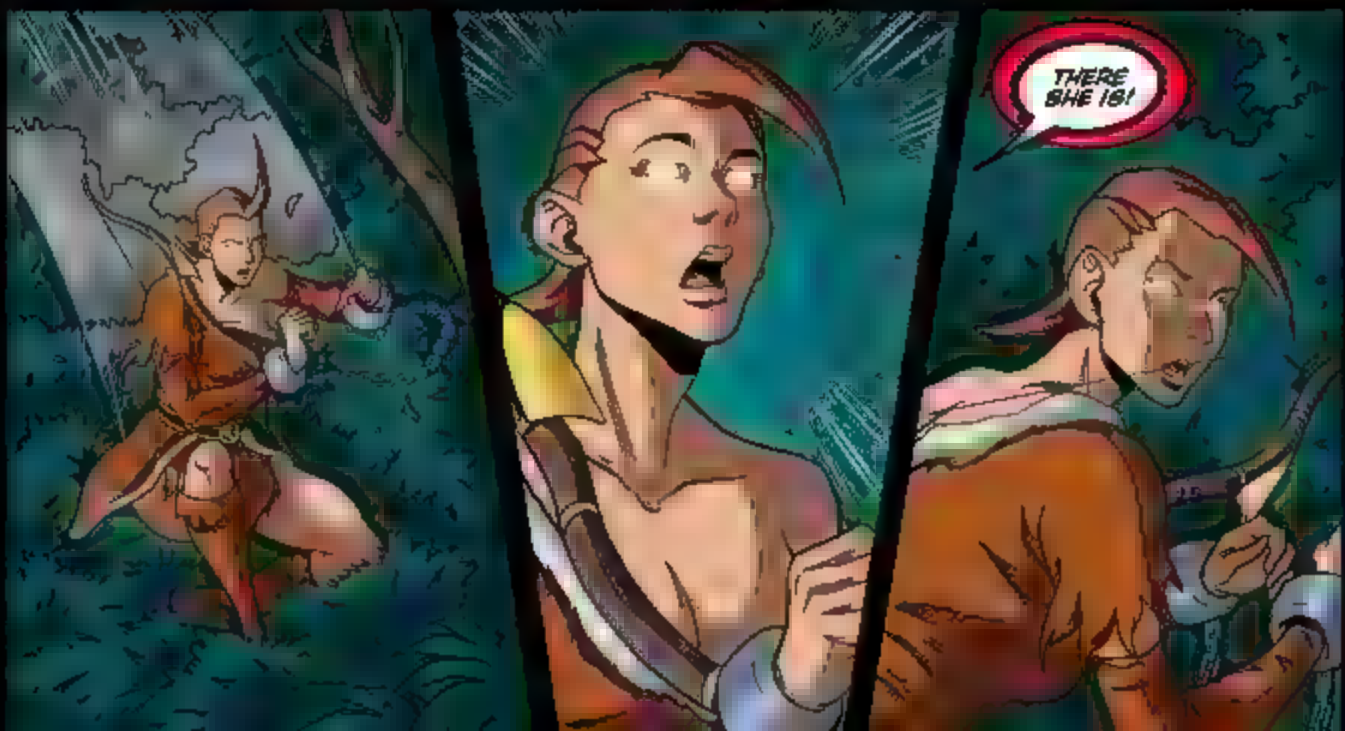
Kun













Name/Rank:	Lt. Temis (aka Durga)
Position:	Tracking Officer
Starship:	Ulympea
Race:	Dyanon
Homeworld:	Atala

Biography:

Since the Ulympea crashed, Temis has always been on the front lines. Her powers have made her ideal for reconnaissance, infiltration, tracking and even sabotage. Her instincts and insights have led to many tactics employed by Ulympeans while in the field. She suggested the use of native materials rather than their uniforms while abroad. Further, the use of aliases while interacting with the locals became a standard practice. The name Durga is her most current alias, while traveling in the Indus valley region.

Personality Profile:

Temis has grown more and more removed from the others in recent decades. She has close friendships with Frodaity and Ipalyo, but chooses to go on extended solo missions for the most part. She routinely volunteers for any sorties that take her in a direction she's never been before.

Powers / Abilities:

She has immense instincts and reflexes. All of her senses have been magnified to an extraordinary degree. For instance, she can see equally well in the dark, and for miles away. Her eyes can even see different wavelengths of light. She can hear the faintest whisper even further and identify the sounds with amazing clarity. The most startling facet is some sort of sixth sense that seems to warn her of danger. She can use these senses to track most any prey with ease. Her reflexes and speed are also amazing. She can move blindingly fast. All of her powers compliment the capabilities of her "light bow" to create a deadly huntress.



Weapon:	Temis' Bow
Type:	Bow
Material:	Vastadium Inlay
Range:	Up to 100 miles in a straight line
Storage:	Unlike Ipalyo's headguard for his bow, Temis prefers to have her bow at the ready at all times. For this reason, she asked for a special string that could phase shift. This allows her to quickly place the bow over her shoulder, and once in place, the string phase back, holding the bow in place.
Rating:	Damage Class 10 - 100

Ipalyo and Temis would often compete with one another in archery for sport. So, when the time came for Temis' gift, Ipalyo made certain that her bow was as close to his as possible. Like Ipalyo's, Temis' bow fires "solid light arrows." The bow propels these arrows at incredible velocities, and they are able to lance through its target and keep going as long as she holds the "trigger" in the bow, or for a pre-selected distance. Further modifications allow Temis to select various types of damage and power ratings for her arrows. She can charge an arrow to make it do immense damage, or simply stun a target. She can subtly alter the properties of the arrows in other ways as well. She and Ipalyo still compete with one another, but now the challenges are even harder.



WHAT'S HAPPENING, TEAM?

CASSIE SENT US.

SHE SAID YOU GUYS ARE IN TROUBLE?



YOU LOST YOUR VOICE?



OUCH!

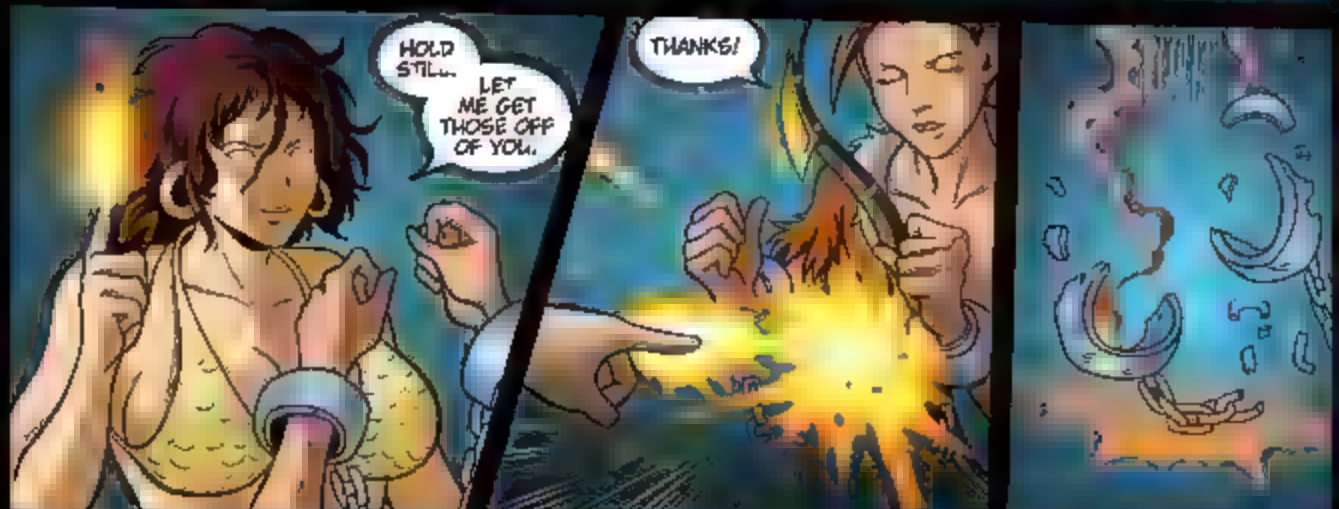
SHE MEANS, BE QUIET AND FLY US OUT OF HERE!

THAT REALLY HURTS!

YOU KNOW I AM YOUR SUPERIOR OFFICER!

THEN START ACTING LIKE IT...

SIR!







TEMIS
SAID THEY'RE
HARD TO
KILL.

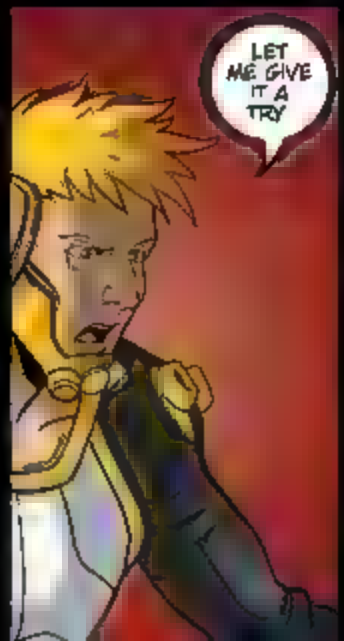
LET'S
SEE IF THEY
CAN STILL
BURN!

THEY
BURN JUST
FINE!

I'M
BETTING
THEY SHARE
ONE OF OUR
WEAKNESSES
ALSO.

THEY
STILL NEED
THEIR
HEADS!







Name/Rank: Kalilith
Race: Vampire / Former Human
Homeworld: Earth

Biography:

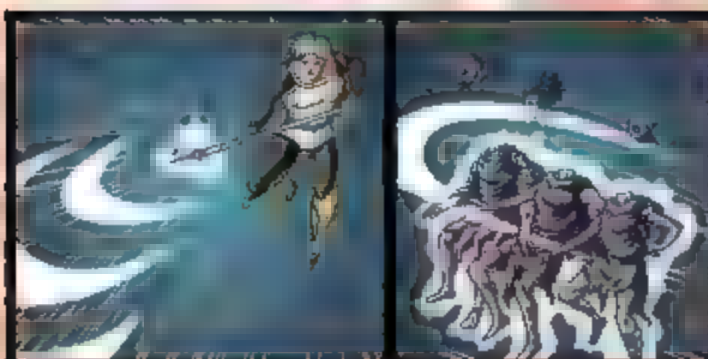
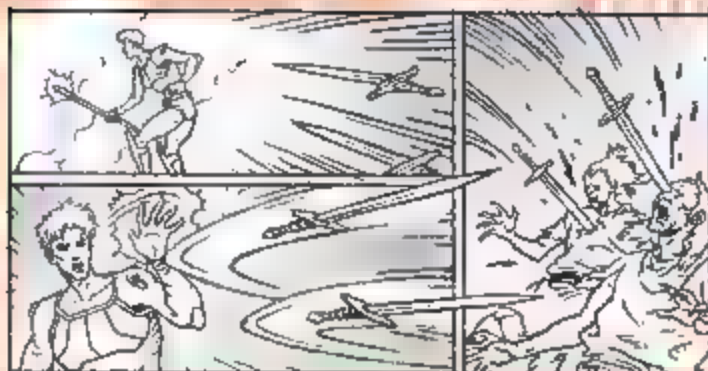
Kalilith was a beautiful human woman in the Indus valley region of earth until a simple act of kindness changed everything. While out gathering berries in the woods, she came upon Seth, who had defected from Kronos' camp in China. Seth was half-starved and delirious, and Kalilith took pity on him. She took him back to her home and nursed him back to some semblance of health. Seth repaid this kindness by draining her completely of blood. Seth had feelings for her and after biting his own lip in anguish, kissed her. This caused her to awaken as a new creature... a vampire. She now serves by Seth's side as his consort.

Personality Profile:

Kalilith was a simple, sweet and kind young woman prior to her transformation. Afterward, her blood lust has now consumed her personality and dominated her will. She seems to love Seth and the two revel in the carnage they create. She now sees herself as a higher being, above the humans she feeds on.

Powers / Abilities:

Kalilith is the first of the vampire species. Like all vampires, she is incredibly strong, fast, impervious to pain, able to heal from most wounds quickly and possessing fangs and talons that allow her to drink blood. Her senses are also keen and able to see in the dark. Like Seth, the more blood she drinks, the stronger she becomes in all of her powers. Kalilith, however, has been further augmented by drinking the blood of Frodaity. Although she has tasted Seth's blood, his unique powers simply cause the rebirth that all vampires go through. But by drinking deeply from another Star Core touched source, Kalilith became as powerful as Seth and like him, is capable of reproducing new thrall vampires.



As much as we would like to claim otherwise, we are not perfect. As I've said before, there are times that what the writer intends and what gets translated or understood by the artist, can be two vastly different things. Page 19 of Issue #20 is a shining example of this.

What the script called for, was the revelation of blades housed in Hermaz's staff. This was to be an "aw cool" type of reveal... At least that was the intention.

Somehow, Wellin thought blades were being SHOT at Hermaz. So Wellin had him using his powers to repel and kill the vampires he had levitated. That is obviously wrong.

Then when I pointed out it was his staff that had the blades, he thought I must mean ENERGY blades. While this was kinda cool, it wasn't what I wanted at all. It gave Hermaz yet another distance attack, and the point was to give him a melee weapon that could kill Tytans. Plus, Hermes/Mercury had a staff, and I wanted to keep that as his weapon.

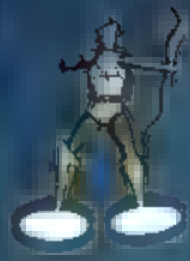
Unfortunately the next round, they added a little needle to the end of the staff and kept the energy effect. Still wrong.

So I provided reference and even drew how I wanted it. They did so on this pass, and got very close.

And just to show that I cant leave well enough alone, I then went in and removed some of the action lines and changed the colors of the background (adding in clouds) and made the remaining action lines yellow.

And that's why delays will sometimes happen...

I'M
OFF YOUR
DISC, SO YOU
CAN FOCUS ON
YOUR ARROWS
NOW



THANKS!
CUZ
I'M GIVING
THIS ONE
EVERYTHING
I'VE GOT!

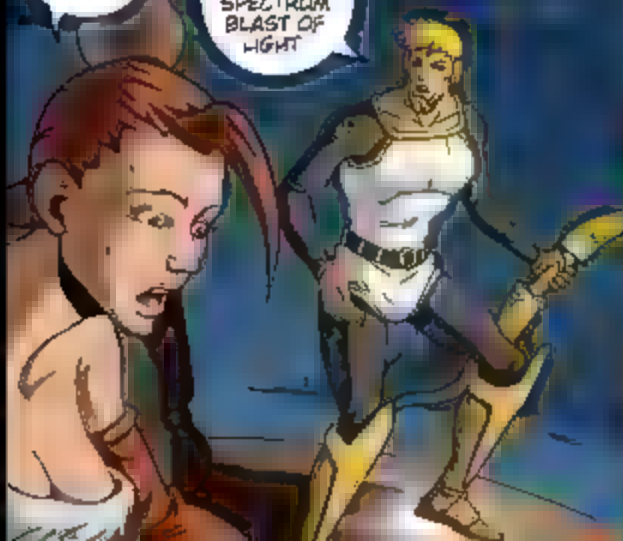


URKI!



WHAT
DID YOU
DO?

JUST
GAVE HIM
A FULL
SPECTRUM
BLAST OF
LIGHT

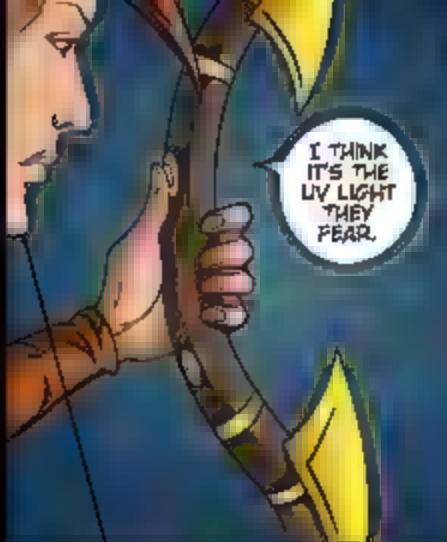


THE
KID SAID
THEY ONLY
COME OUT AT
NIGHT.



THAT'S
IT!

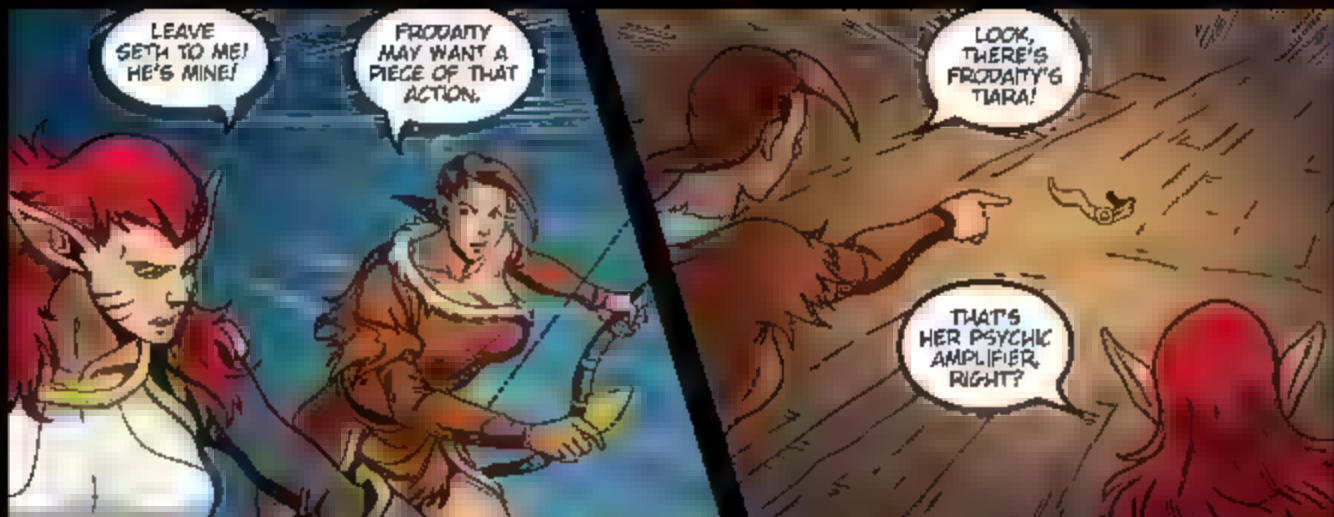






I
SMELL
BOTH OF
YOUR
SCENTS
HERE?

YES,
BUT I
CAN SMELL
FRODATY'S
SCENT MORE
RECENT

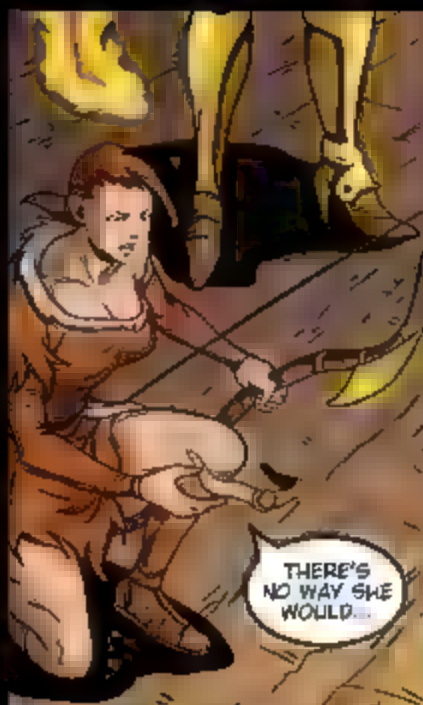


LEAVE
SETH TO ME!
HE'S MINE!

FRODATY
MAY WANT A
PIECE OF THAT
ACTION.

LOOK,
THERE'S
FRODATY'S
TIARA!

THAT'S
HER PSYCHIC
AMPLIFIER,
RIGHT?

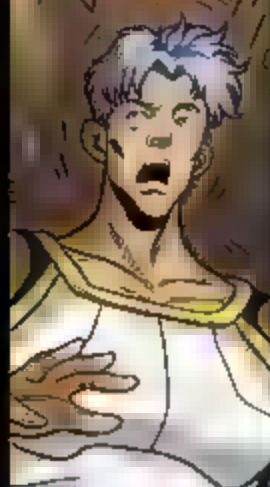


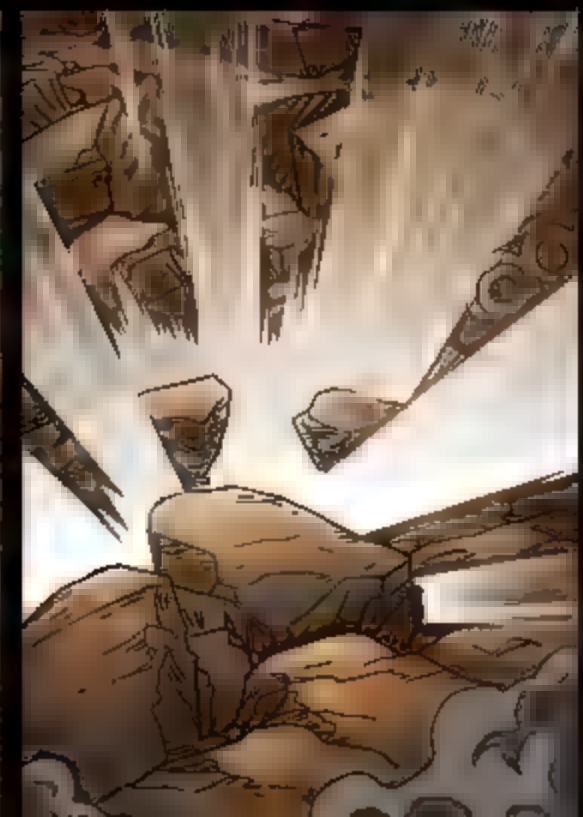
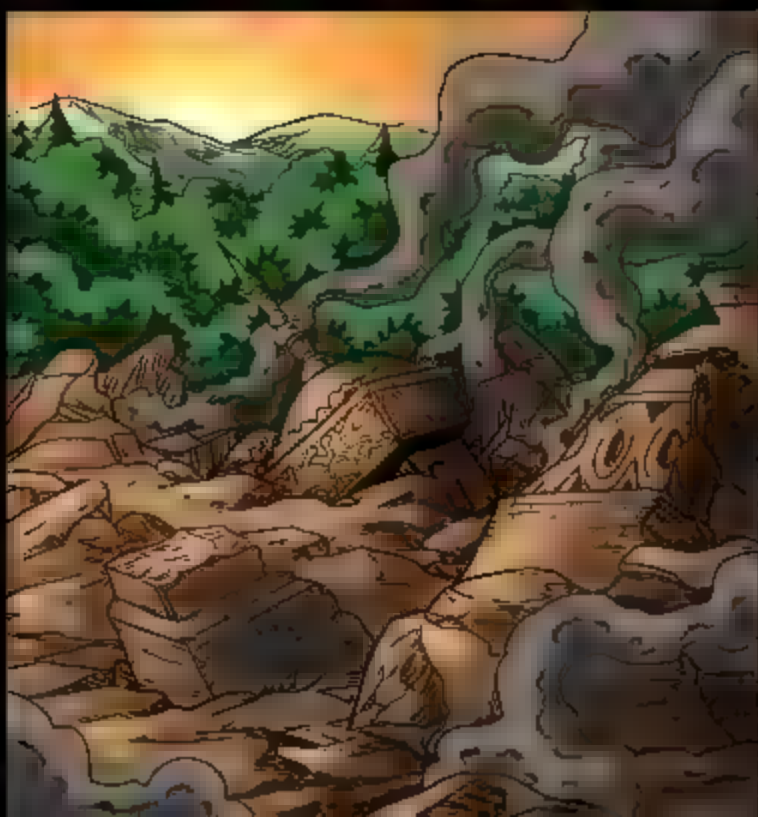
THERE'S
NO WAY SHE
WOULD...



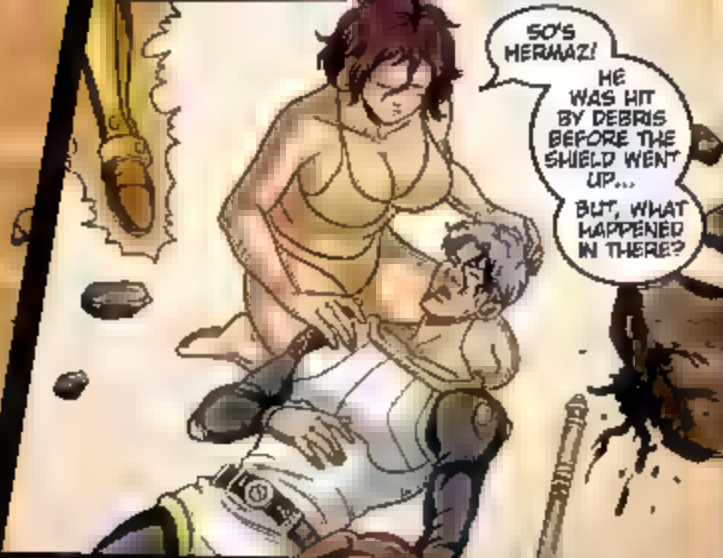
THIS
WHOLE
PLACE IS
SHAKING!

I'VE
GOT A
BAAAAA
FEELING
ABOUT
THIS!



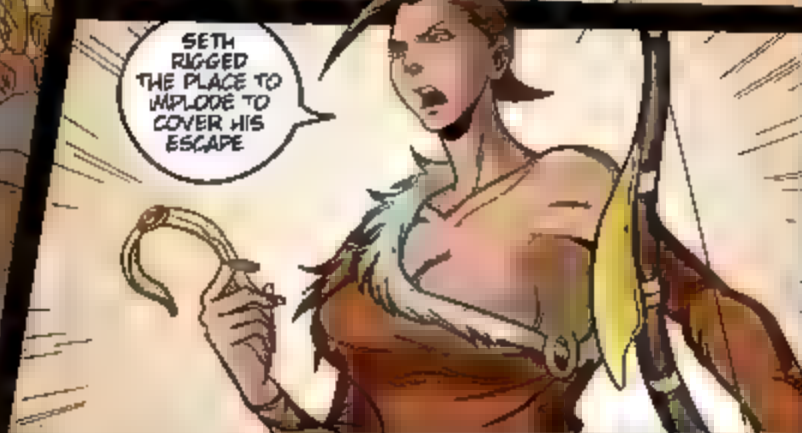


WE'RE
OUT!



SO'S HERMAZI!
HE
WAS HIT
BY DEBRIS
BEFORE THE
SHIELD WENT
UP...
BUT, WHAT
HAPPENED
IN THERE?

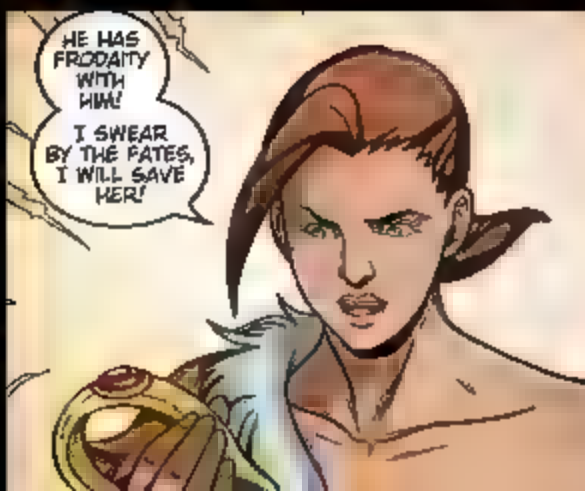
SETH
RIGGED
THE PLACE TO
IMPLODE TO
COVER HIS
ESCAPE



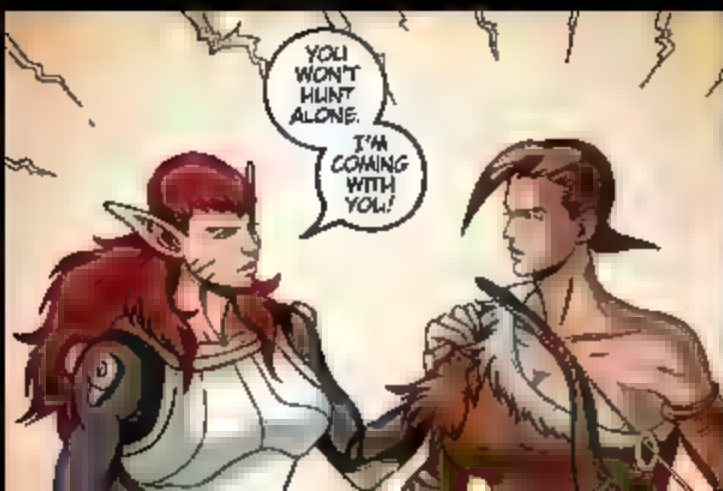
HE
MUST
HAVE BEEN
PREPARED
JUST IN
CASE.



AND
YOU CAN
BET THE
BASTARD
IS SAFELY
AWAY.



HE WAS
FRODAITY
WITH
HIM!
I SWEAR
BY THE FATES,
I WILL SAVE
HER!



YOU
WON'T
HUNT
ALONE.
I'M
COMING
WITH
YOU!



Name/Rank:	Lt. Frodaity Wetnu (aka Rahti)
Position:	Diplomatic Officer
Starship:	Ulympea
Race:	Cyprian
Homeworld:	Kallipygos

Biography:

Frodaity has become an incredibly pivotal member of the Ulympean crew. She was instrumental in retrieving the Star Core. She then helped convince vast numbers of Tytans to defect or flee Kronos' camps. Then as Isis, she infiltrated Kronos' inner circle and fell in love with his adopted son, Menes. She even became his queen and bore his children... helping rule the human nation for generations. Now she has inspired a new set of people in the Indus Valley region with her new identity of Rahti. Only this time, with great personal cost.

Personality Profile:

Frodaity has gone through many changes over the years. She set aside her promiscuous attitudes for the love of a human and remained faithful his entire life. After her husband's death, she felt lost for years. She rejoined the Ulympeans in an attempt to regain her sense of self, but this journey ended tragically with the abduction and torture by Seth and Kalilith.

Powers / Abilities:

Frodaity is a high level empath. She can easily determine the intensity and general intention of those emotions, as well as use this information to determine whether a target is being truthful or deceptive. She has further proven capable of manipulating the emotions of those within her proximity with remarkable ease. She isn't limited in what emotions to manipulate, and can have multiple targets experience several different emotions simultaneously. Her abilities are greatly augmented through the use of her tiara, which is actually a psychic amplifier. Her powers have grown as she's gained greater mastery of them over the years.

EPilogue

I WISH
I COULD
HAVE SEEN
THE LOOKS
ON THEIR
FACES.

IT
WOULD
HAVE BEEN
AMUSING TO
SEE, NO
DOUBT

BUT
THEN WE'D
BE BURIED
TOO.

AND
THAT WOULD
DEFEAT THE
PURPOSE OF
COLLAPSING
THE BUILDING
IN THE FIRST
PLACE.

STILL,
IT WAS A
SHAME TO
LOSE THE
TEMPLE.

I
WAS
GROWING
FOND OF THE
PLACE.

BUT
IT WAS
JUST A TEST
RUN...

NOW
THAT WE
KNOW WHAT
WE CAN
DO...

AND
WITH YOU
BY MY
SIDE.



WE CAN
CONQUER
THE WHOLE
WORLD!



WAYWARD SONS LEGENDS

**RED
GIANT**
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"IT'S NOT OFTEN
I MAKE IT INTO
THE CITY."

"SO IT'S FITTING
THAT THE SKIES
SHOULD WELCOME
ME WITH A STORM."

"THE WEATHER IS
LIKE MY MOOD."

"FOUL AND
UNPLEASANT."

"THERE'S EVEN
SOME LIGHTNING
FLASHING
OVERHEAD."



"AS IF TO MOCK US
FOR OUR LOSS."

SPLASH

"TROOPERS ON
PATROL PROBABLY
WON'T BOTHER ME."



"BUT THEY'RE NOT
WORTH THE HASSLE."

"AND I NEED TO
MEET AN OLD FRIEND."



PRESENT TENSE...

STORY &
LETTERS

BENNY R.
POWELL

THINGS
PAGES

WEILIN
YANG

WINDS PLAZA STORIES
PAGES

YOUJUN
YANG

COLORS

KUN
SONG

"BECAUSE
IN TODAY'S
WORLD..."

"...WE NEED
EVERY FRIEND
WE CAN GET!"





COME ON IN OUT OF THE RAIN.



WHAT'LL IT BE MISTER?

THE USUAL.



LOOK, BUDDY, I'M NOT IN THE MOOD...



IS THAT ANY WAY TO TREAT A PAYING CUSTOMER?

LET ALONE AN OLD FRIEND?



HOW
ARE YOU,
NYGUS?



HERMAZ?

LOOK,
I DON'T
WANT ANY
TROUBLE!

I'M
NOT HERE
TO START ANY
TROUBLE.



THAT'S
WHAT YOU
SAID LAST
TIME.

AND
I NEARLY
LOST MY
DAMN
HEAD!

THIS IS
NOTHING
LIKE THAT
AT ALL.

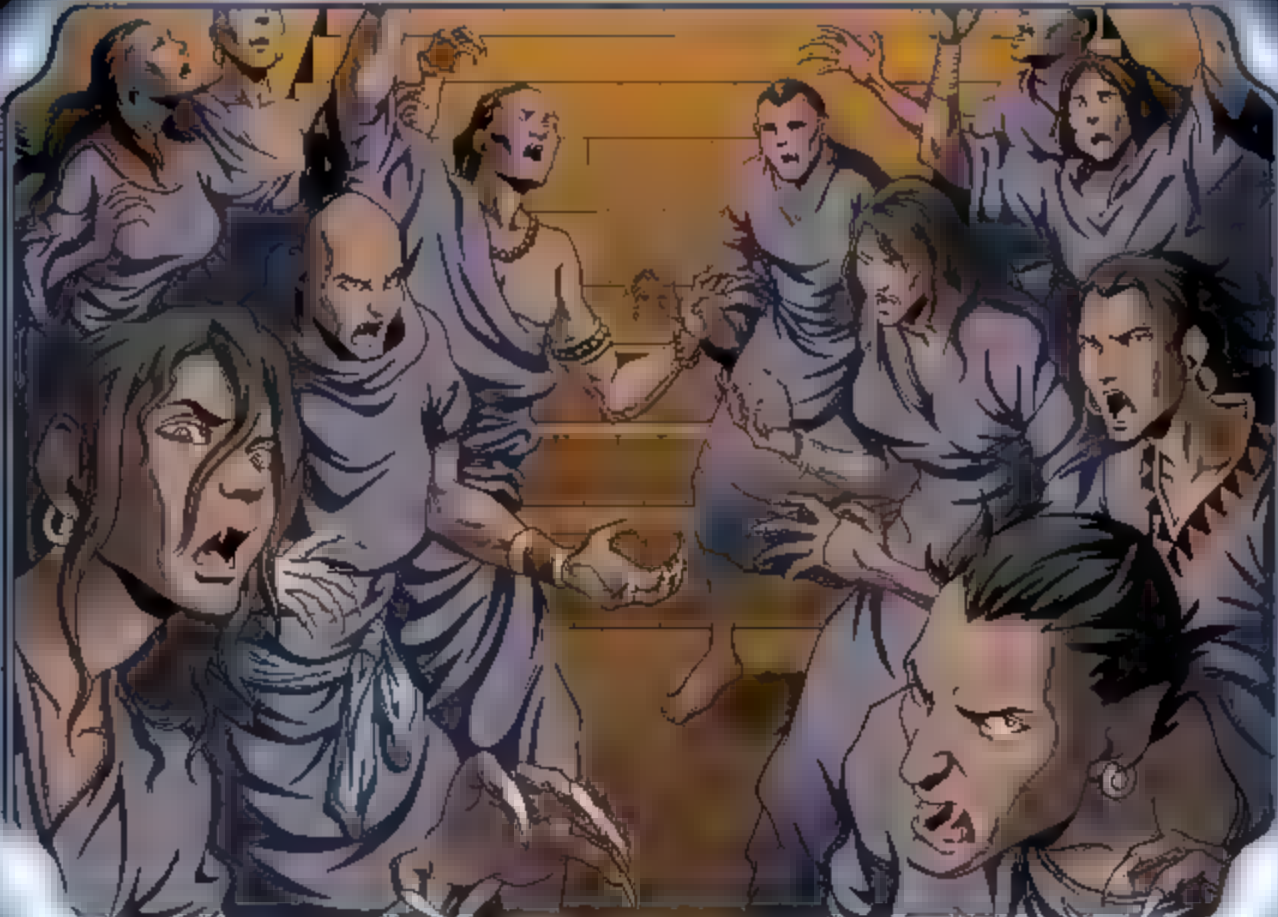
OKAY,
THEN WHY
ARE YOU
HERE?



YOU
MAY HAVE
INFORMATION
I NEED..



I NEED
TO FIND
A GIRL



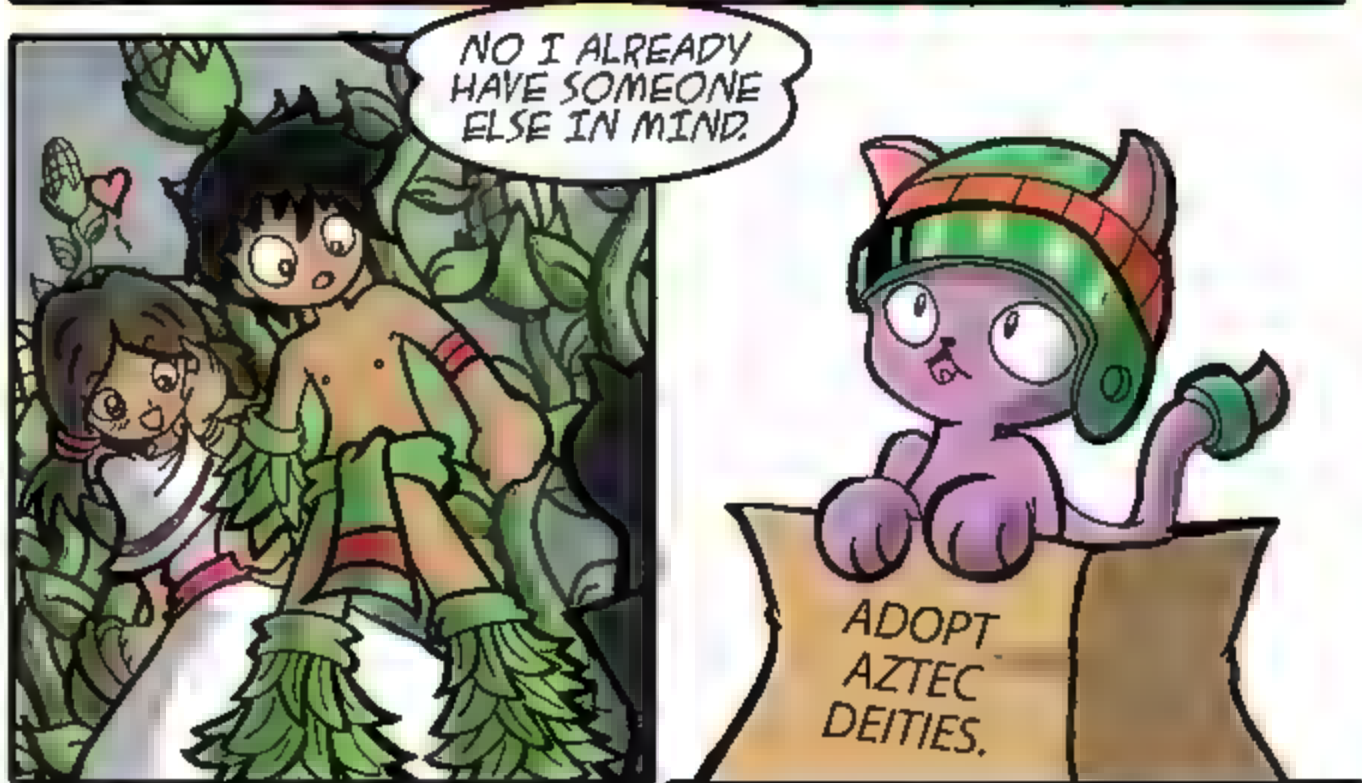
People: Vampires (formerly humans)
Region: Originally Indus Valley and later spread
Leaders: Seth and Kalilith

History.

Vampires are the human creations of Seth, the Tytan. They were discovered after introducing Seth's unique Star Core adapted blood with victims he had previously drained to the point of death. They inherit many of his powers, but find themselves compelled to obey his every wish and lose a large measure of identity in the process. After their defeat in the Indus Valley region, Seth and his lover, Kalilith, fled to parts unknown.

Defining Characteristics:

Vampires all have greatly enhanced strength, speed and stamina. They have acute senses and tracking skills. These abilities wax and wane depending on how much blood they have consumed. Their pronounced canine teeth (aka fangs) and fingernails (aka talons) are incredibly sharp and strong. They can cut or pierce most conventional metals. They are impervious to most harm, save removal of their heads, complete incineration and exposure to ultra-violet rays. They are technically dead and heart and respiratory functions have ceased, along with cellular decay. The primary drawback is the need for blood to survive.



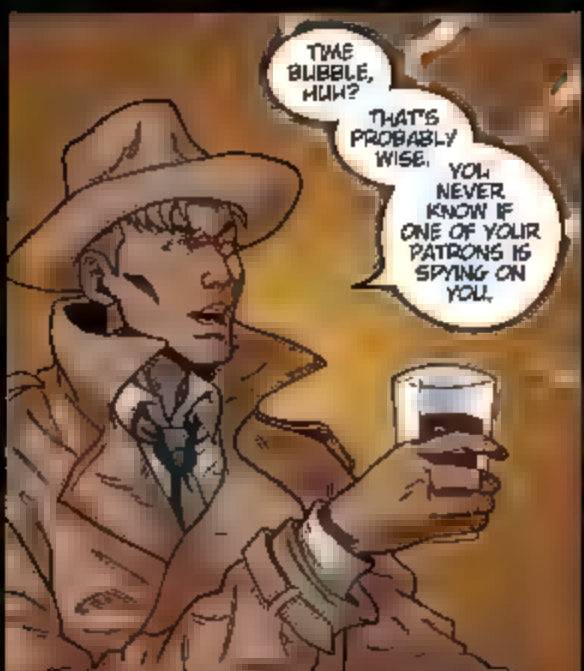


LOOKING
FOR A GIRL?
AREN'T
WE ALL?

BUT YOU'RE
LOOKING IN THE
WRONG PLACE,
OLD FRIEND.



I'M
LOOKING
FOR TEMIS'
DAUGHTER.



TIME
BUBBLE,
HUH?

THAT'S
PROBABLY
WISE.

YOU
NEVER
KNOW IF
ONE OF YOUR
PATRONS IS
SPYING ON
YOU.



I'M
CERTAIN
AT LEAST
ONE OF
THEM
IS!



REALLY?



WHICH ONE?



IT REALLY DOESN'T MATTER.

I'VE BETRAYED KRONOS TWICE, NOW.

I'M LUCKY TO STILL BE ALIVE.



IF YOU CALL THIS LIVING...

SO CAN YOU HELP ME FIND HER DAUGHTER OR..?



YEAH, I KNOW WHERE SHE IS.

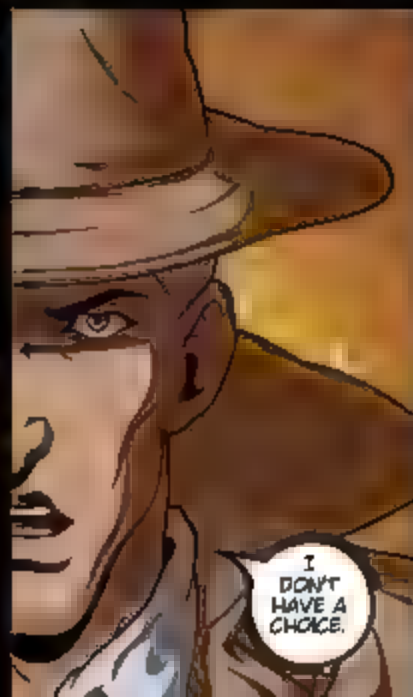
SHE'S IN THE DETENTION CENTER...

ALONG WITH ALL THE OTHER CHILDREN.

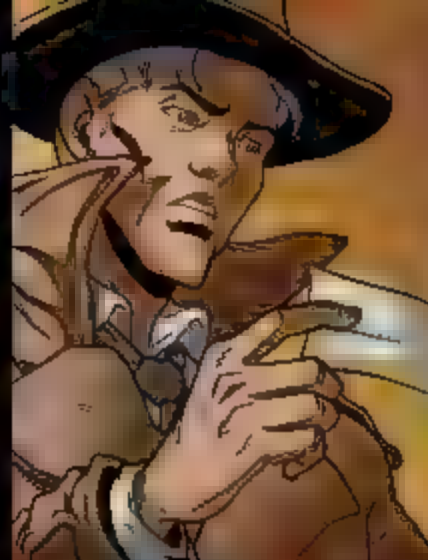


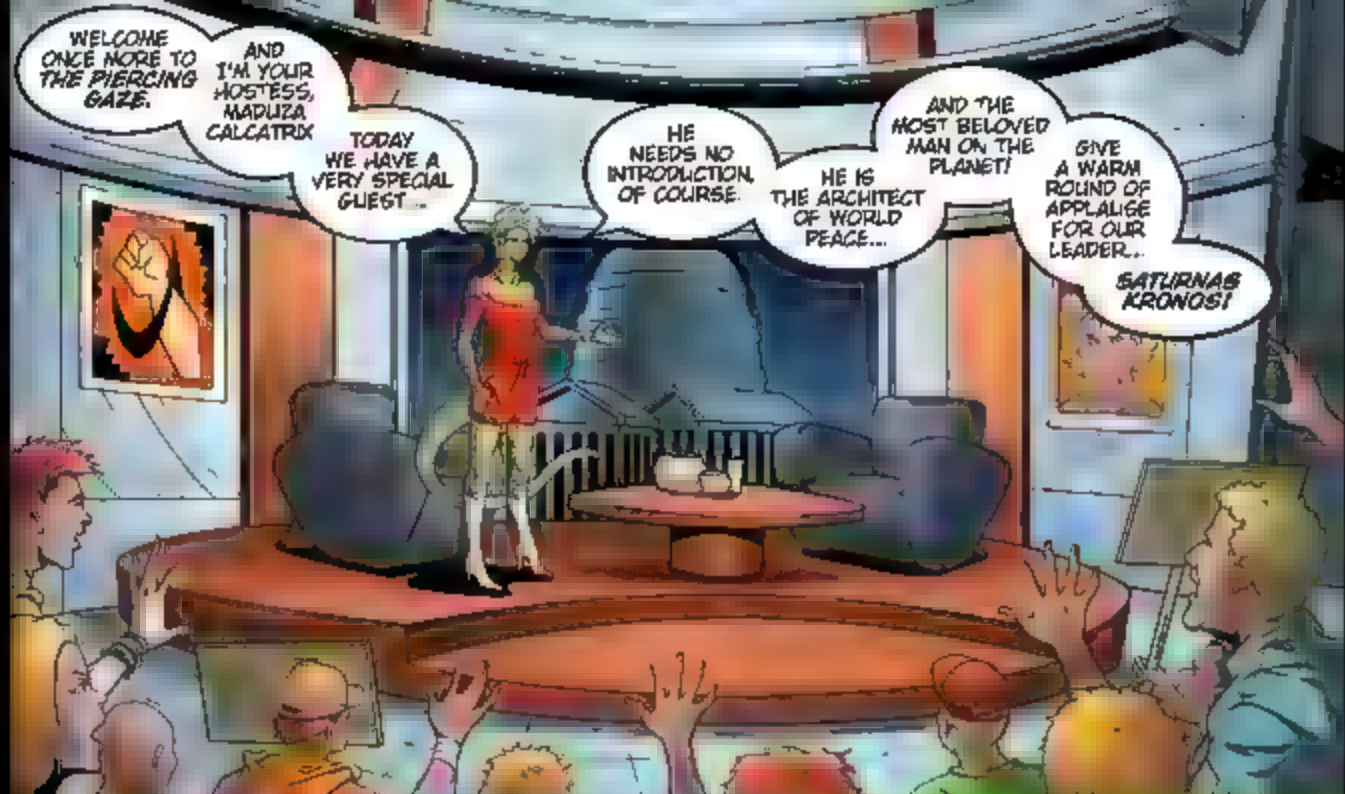
I'LL NEED AN ADDRESS.

YOU'RE GOING AFTER HER?!



I DON'T HAVE A CHOICE.

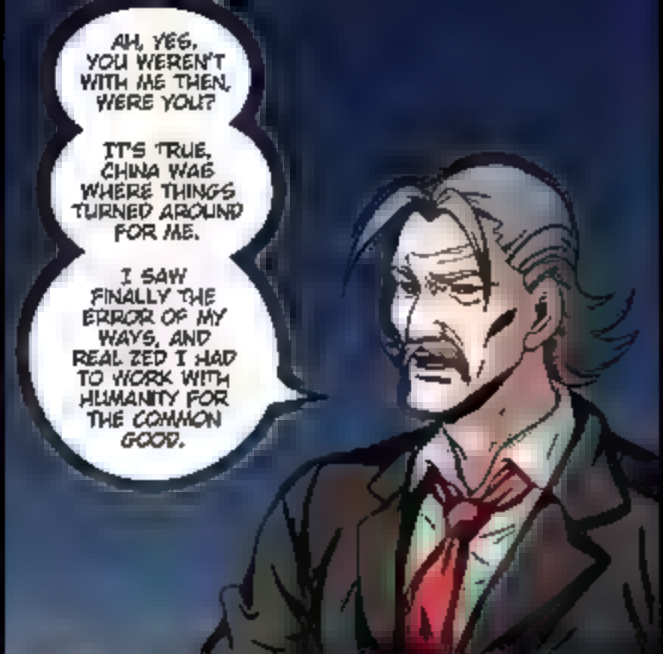






SO IN
YOUR NEW
MEMOIR, YOU
GIVE US AN
ACCOUNT OF
YOUR MANY
ACCOMPLISH-
MENTS.

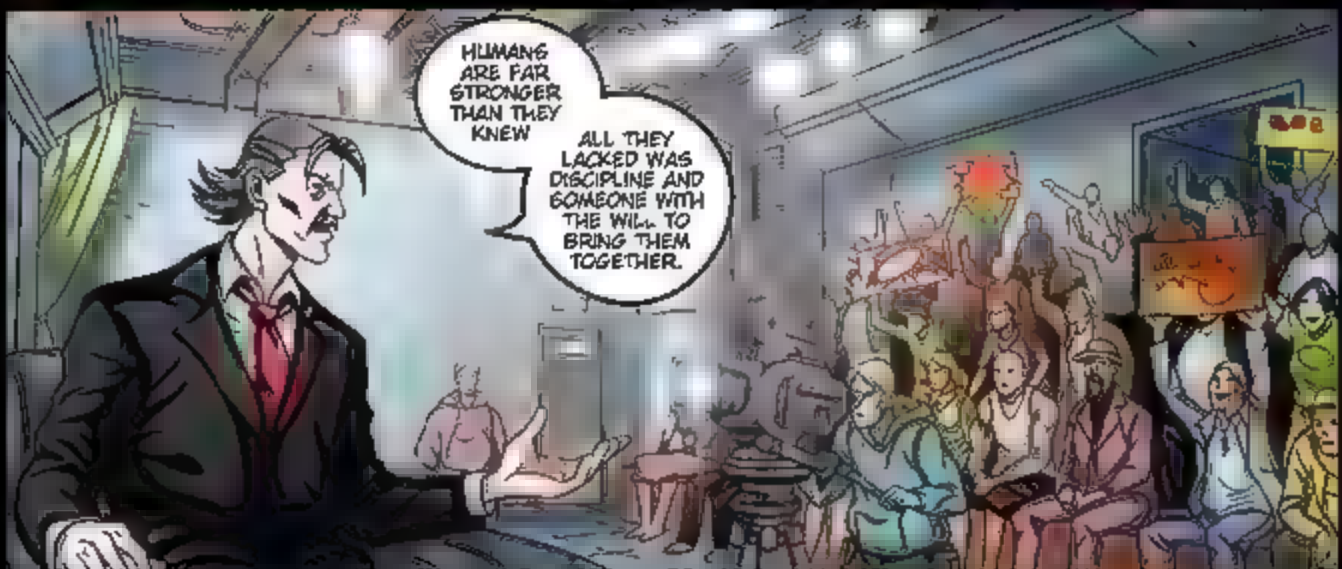
BUT
WHAT I FIND
FASCINATING IS
HOW YOU SAY
IT ALL BEGAN
IN ANCIENT
CHINA.



AH, YES.
YOU WEREN'T
WITH ME THEN,
WERE YOU?

IT'S TRUE,
CHINA WAS
WHERE THINGS
TURNED AROUND
FOR ME.

I SAW
FINALLY THE
ERROR OF MY
WAYS, AND
REALIZED I HAD
TO WORK WITH
HUMANITY FOR
THE COMMON
GOOD.



HUMANS
ARE FAR
STRONGER
THAN THEY
KNEW

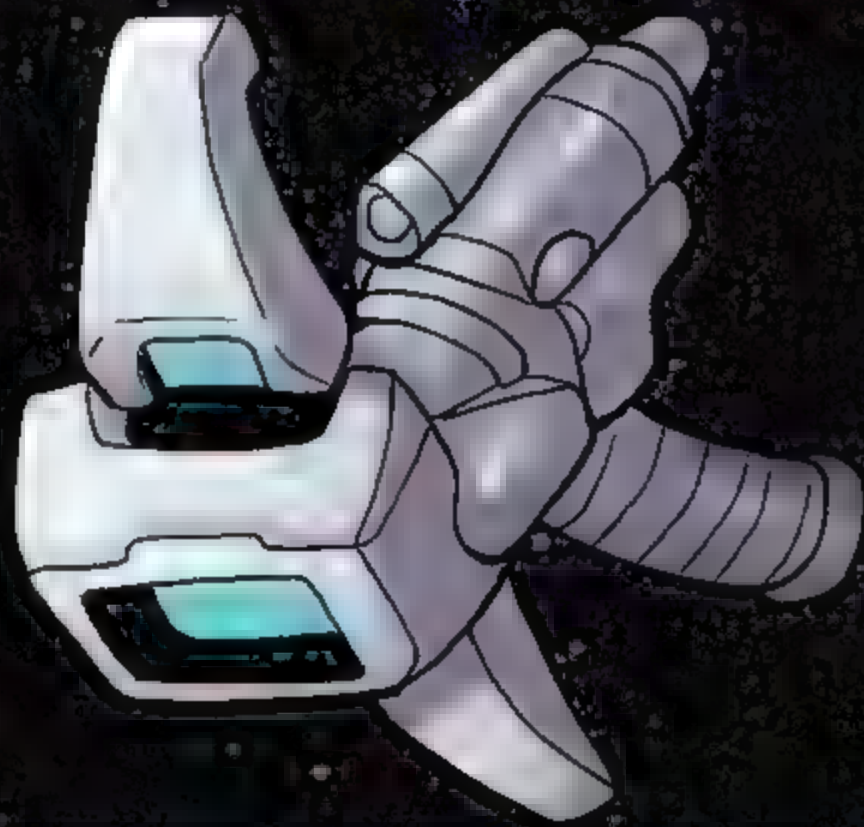
ALL THEY
LACKED WAS
DISCIPLINE AND
SOMEONE WITH
THE WILL TO
BRING THEM
TOGETHER.



SOMEONE
WHO WOULD UNITE
THEM UNDER ONE
BANNER TO CREATE
A WORLD WHERE ALL
SHARE AS EQUALS,
AND NONE ARE
BETTER THAN THE
OTHERS.



IT TOOK
TIME, BUT
THEN, TIME WAS
ALWAYS ON MY
SIDE.



Equipment: Tracktech
Type: Tracking scanner attuned to specific receivers
Material: Aluminum and carbon composites with crystal processors
Range: Global tracking capacity, with capacity to receive through several dozen meters of solid rock and further underwater.
Rating: Class 1000 scanning device

The Tracktech scanner is a highly controversial device the Ulympeans have only recently revealed in their arsenal. It is a portable device salvaged from the long range scanners of the Ulympea with a very specific design and purpose. In short, it is used to track the whereabouts of the Ulympeans on a global scale.

All of the Ulympeans were given "gifts" during their first official "Holy Day" celebration since crashing on planet Earth. Each gift was specifically designed to help or augment the skills of the recipient. What was not known, was that each gift also possessed a tracking device inside that would allow the Tracktech unit to locate the "gift" and by extension, its user.

Once this was revealed, it caused a ripple effect within the ranks who were not informed of this feature. The full repercussions of what some see as intrusive, still remain to be seen.



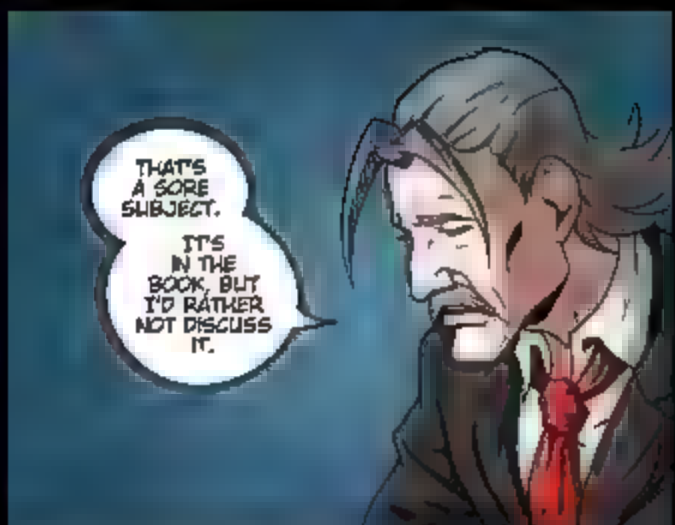


WHEN YOU SAY TIME, YOU MEAN THE MILLENNIA BEFORE THE WAR.

YES, THAT WAS A TRAGEDY SO MANY OF THE STAR TOUCHED WERE LOST NEEDLESSLY.



SUCH AS YOUR FORMER FRIEND..?

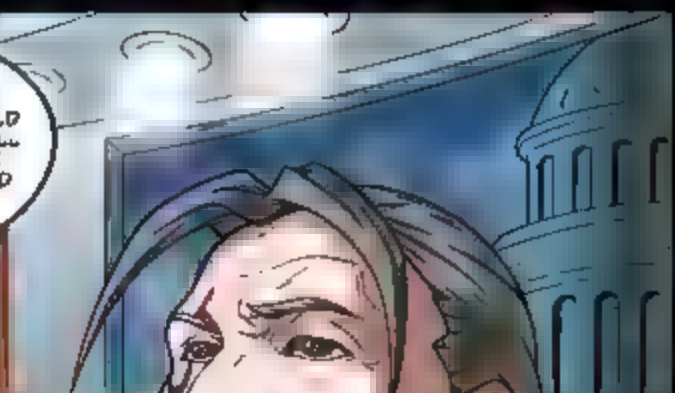


THAT'S A SORE SUBJECT.

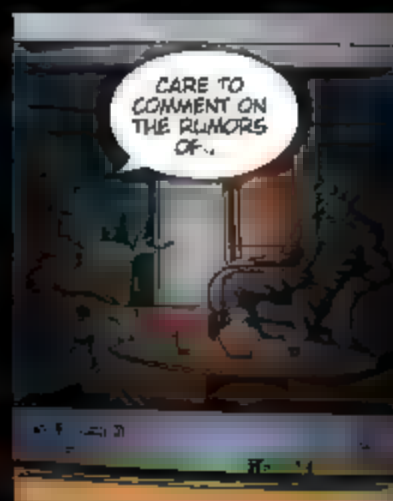
IT'S IN THE BOOK, BUT I'D RATHER NOT DISCUSS IT.

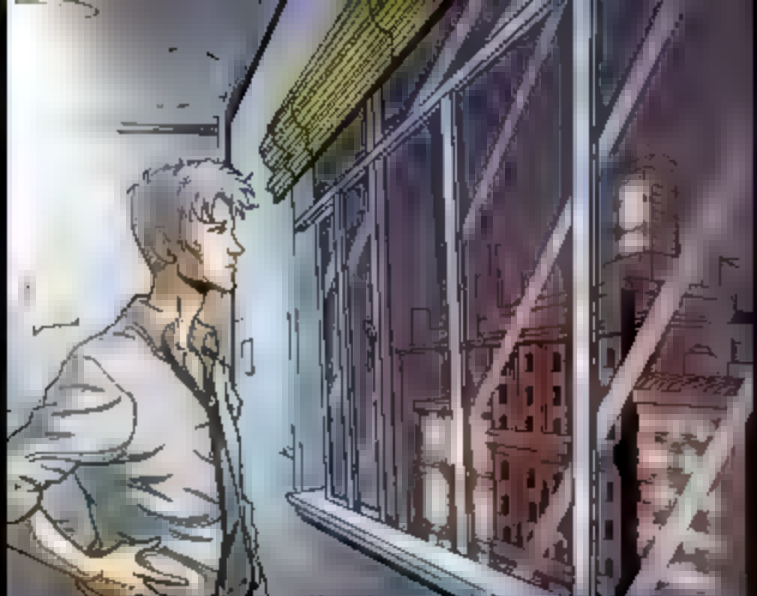


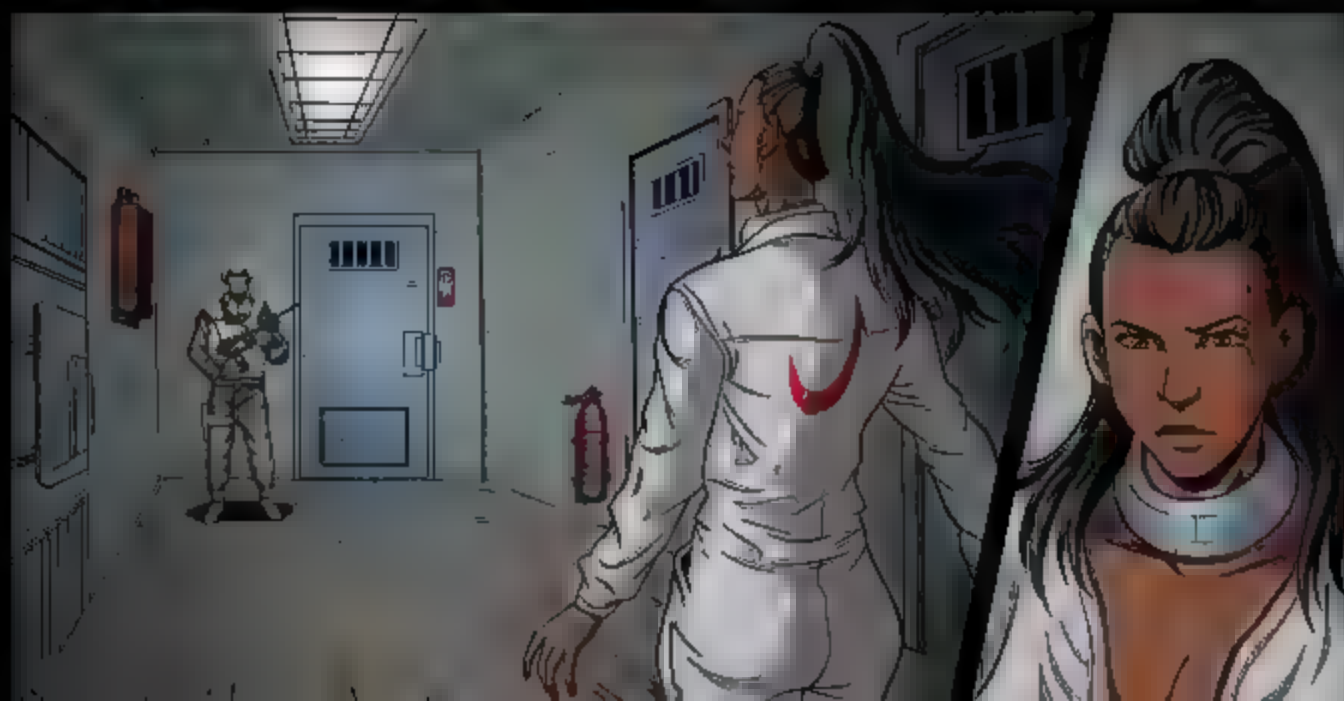
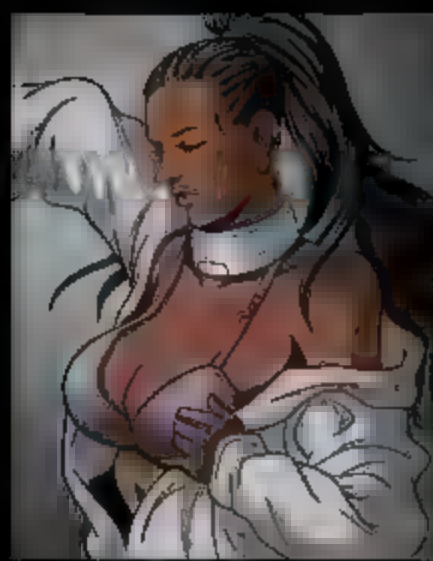
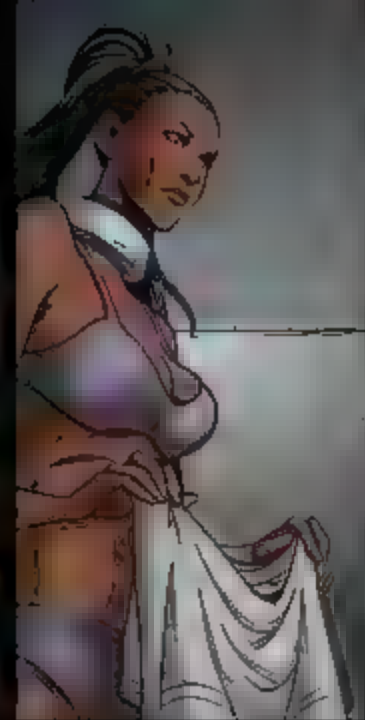
WELL I'M CERTAIN EVEN HE WOULD AGREE WITH ALL THAT YOU'VE ACCOMPLISHED SINCE.



I'D LIKE TO THINK HE WOULD.









SAME UNIDENTIFIABLE FOOD TODAY, CHEF?

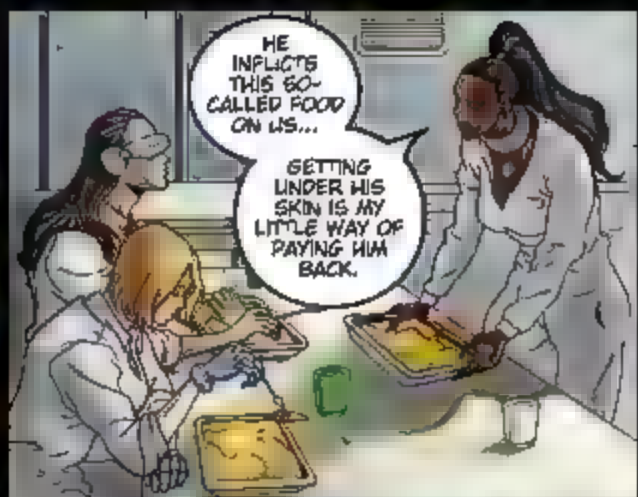
BE GLAD YOU HALFIES GET ANY FOOD AT ALL.

IT'S MORE THAN YOU LOT DESERVE.



I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU BOTHER, DANI.

HE SAYS THE SAME THING EVERY DAY!



HE INFLECTS THIS SO-CALLED FOOD ON US...

GETTING UNDER HIS SKIN IS MY LITTLE WAY OF PAYING HIM BACK.



CRAP!

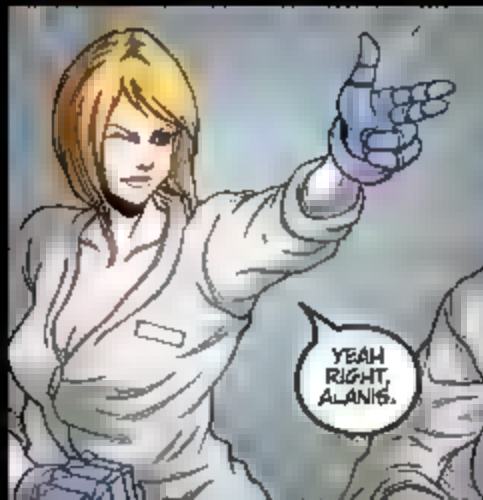


I HATE THESE DAMN GLOVES!



ERIS, YOU KNOW THAT YOU WEAR THEM...

"FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY!"



YEAH RIGHT, ALANIS.



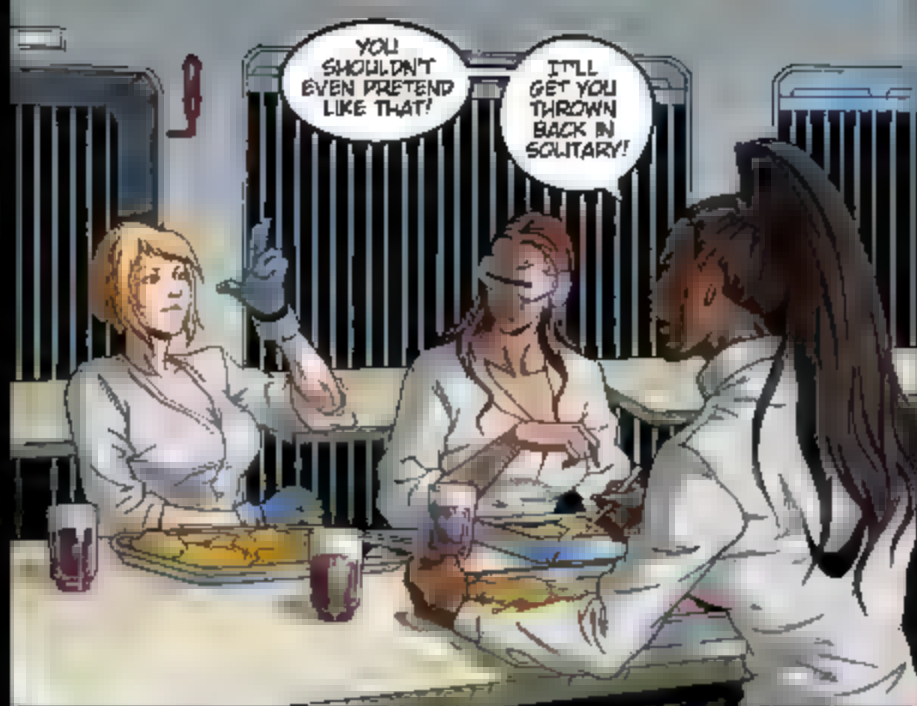
IF I EVER GET THESE THINGS OFF...



I'LL SHOW THEM WHAT I THINK OF BEING KEPT "SAFE."







YOU
SHOULDN'T
EVEN PRETEND
LIKE THAT!

I'LL
GET YOU
THROWN
BACK IN
SOLITARY!



SO
WHAT?

THEY
LIMIT US TO
THREE OR FOUR
AT A TIME NOW,
ANYWAY



TWO
FRIENDS
ARE BETTER
THAN NONE,
RIGHT?



I
GUESS
SO...

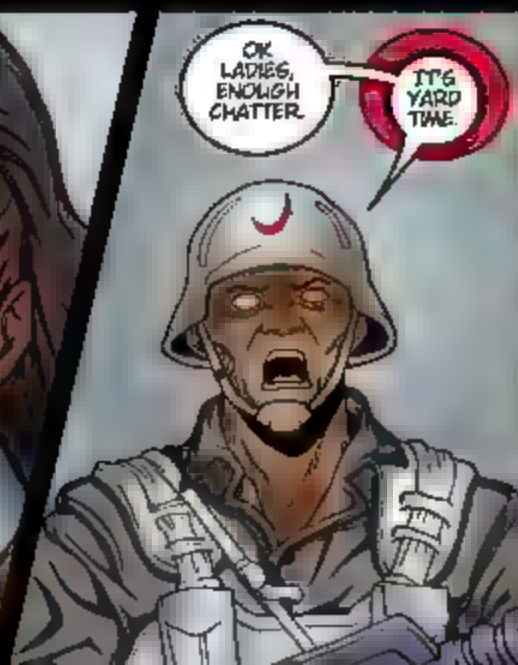
DON'T
EXPECT
ME TO GET
ALL MUSHY
THO!



JUST
KEEP YOUR
STRENGTH
AND SPIRITS
UP.

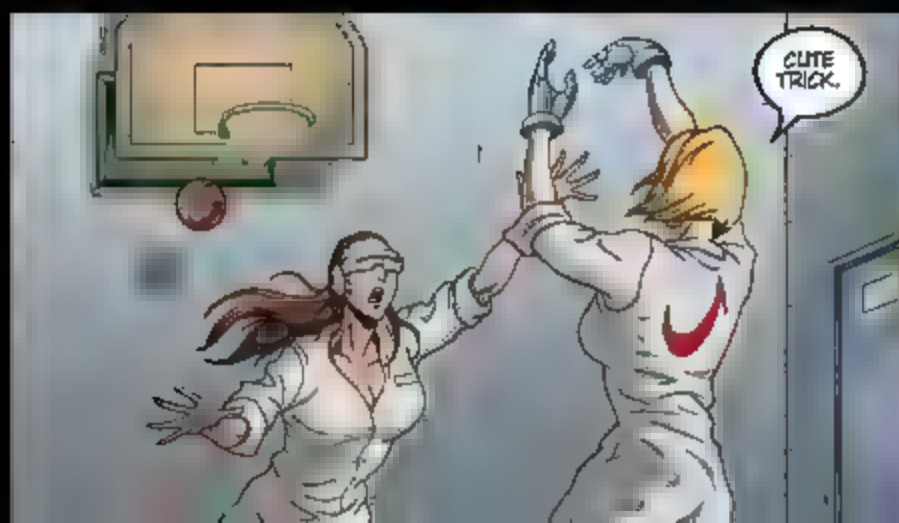
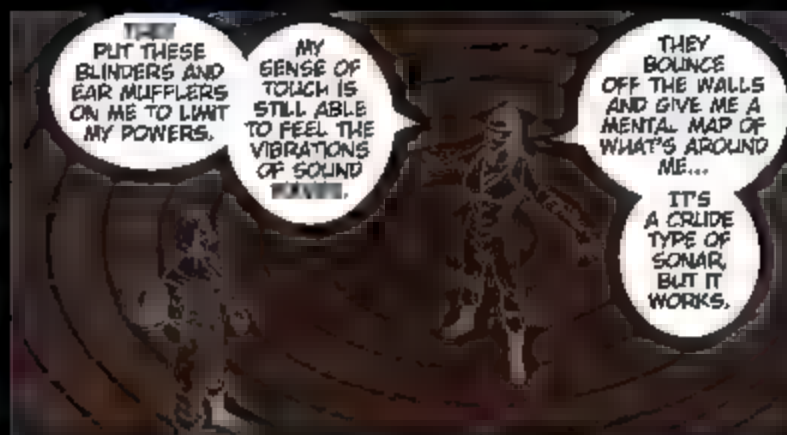
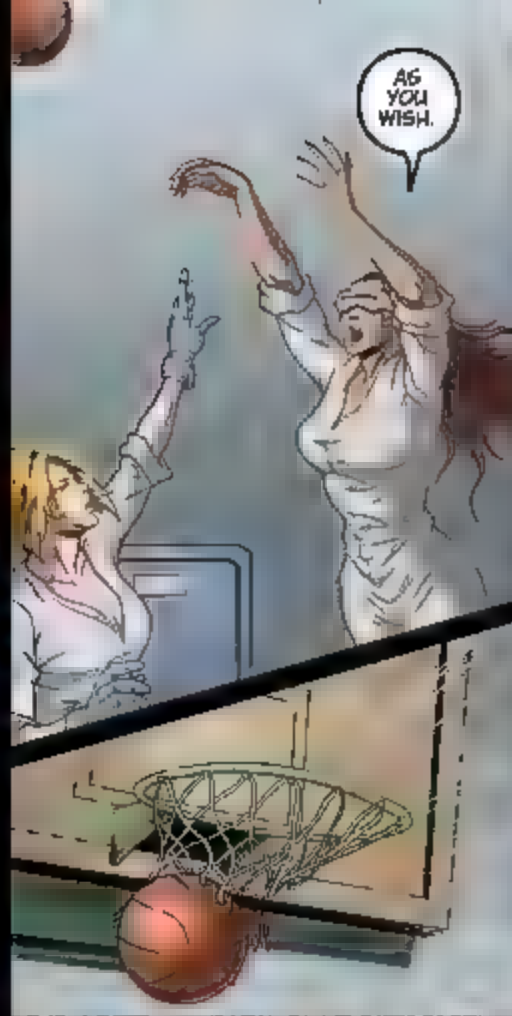
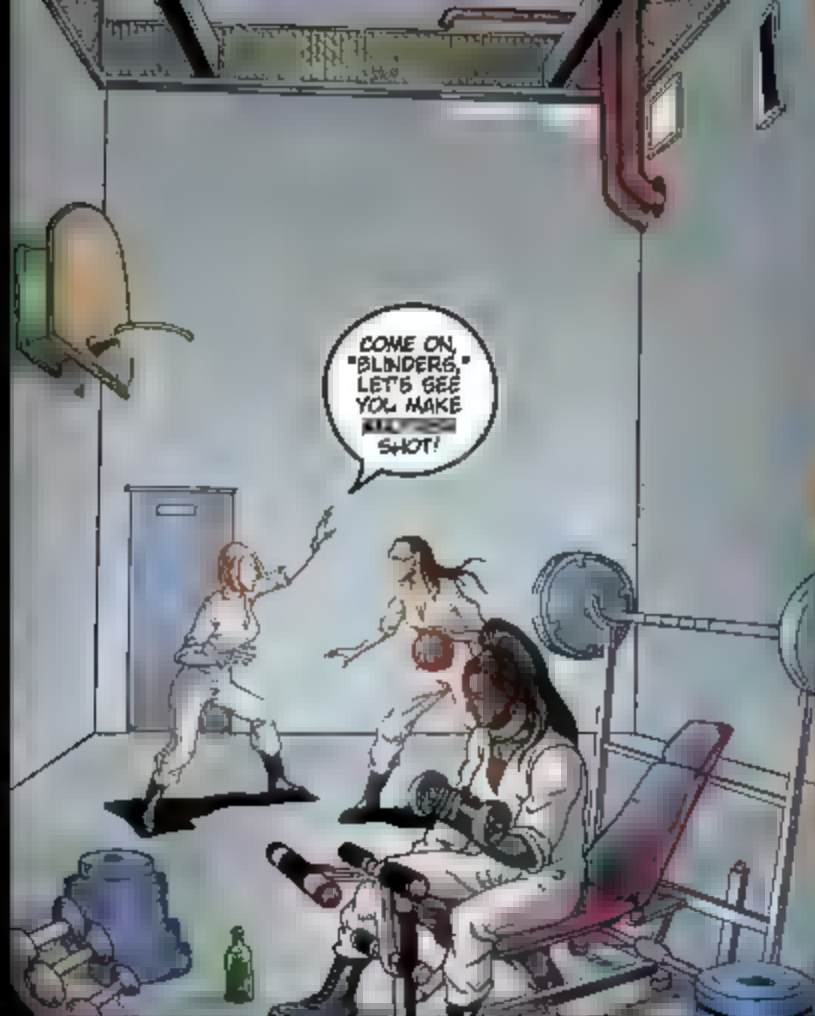


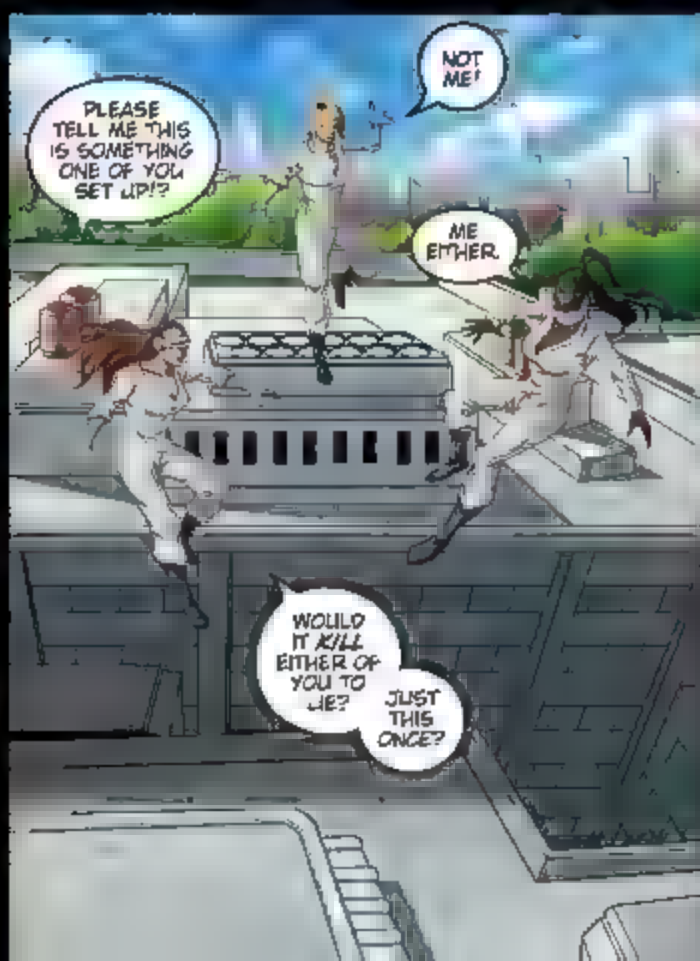
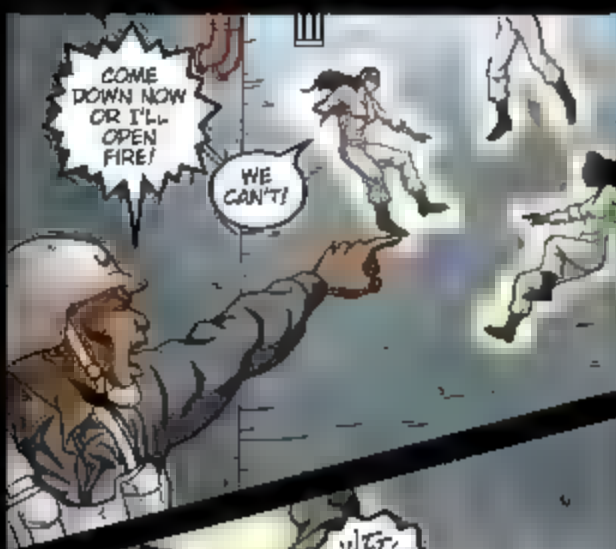
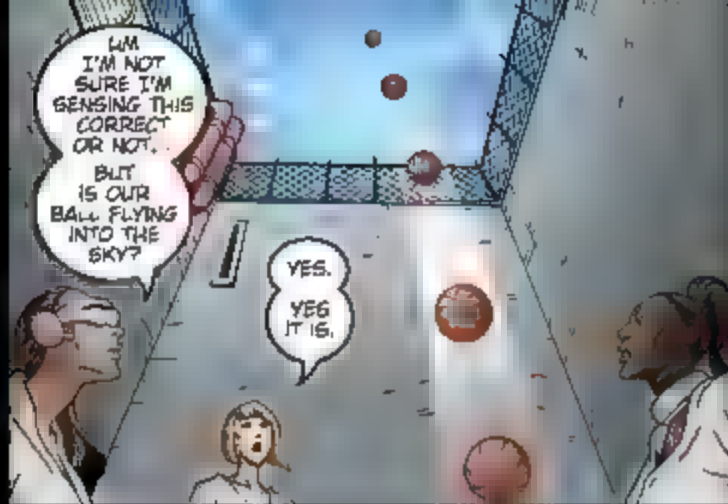
OUR
TIME WILL
COME!



OK
LADIES,
ENOUGH
CHATTER.

IT'S
YARD
TIME.





WE'RE
GONNA
DIE!!!

LOOK!

UNCLE
HERMAN?

HELLO
LADIES.

WHAT
HAVE YOU
DONE?!

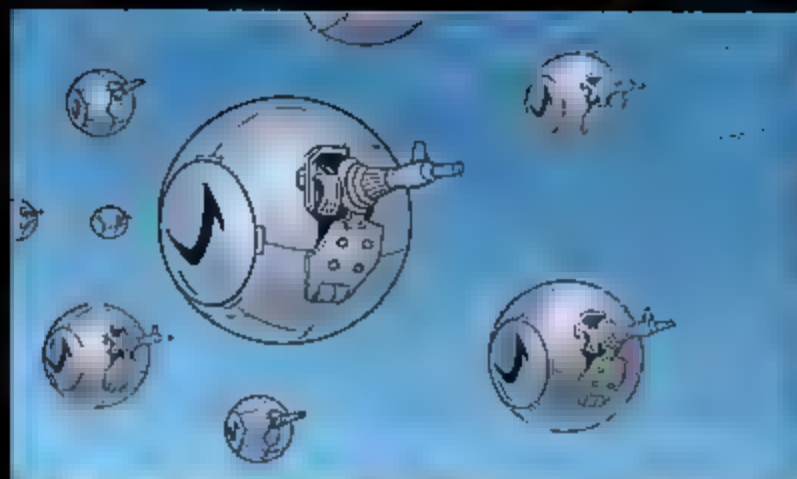
I'VE
SAVED
YOU.
YOU'RE
WELCOME.

PUT
US BACK
BEFORE IT'S
TOO LATE!

NO
CAN
DO.

NOW
COME
ALONG.

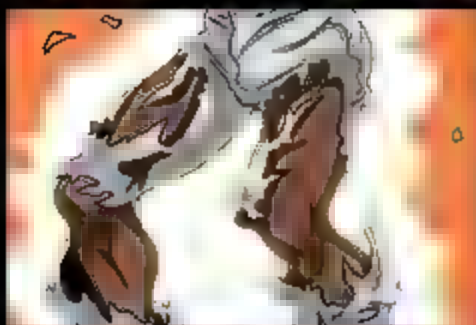
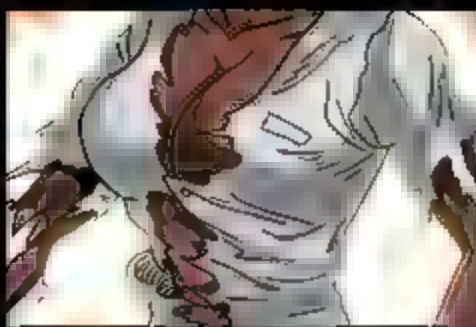
WE
DON'T
HAVE MUCH
TIME!

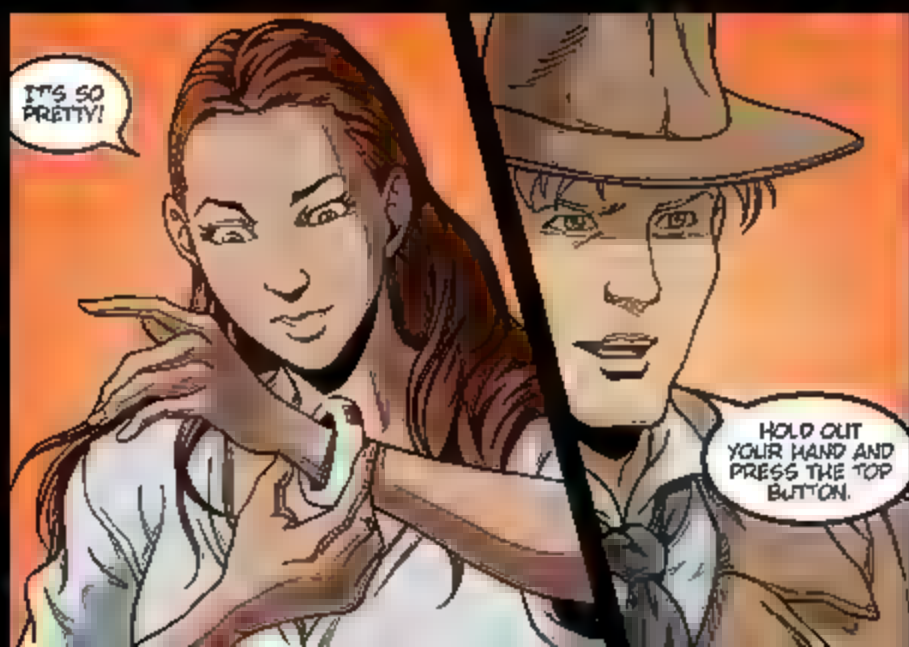
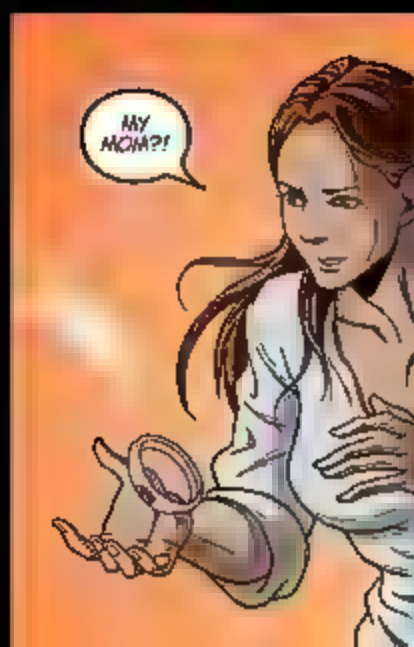
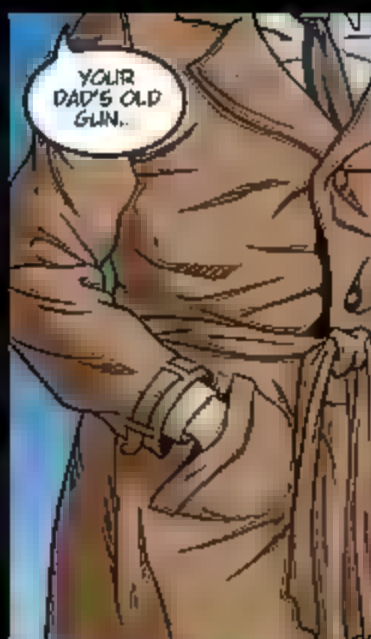
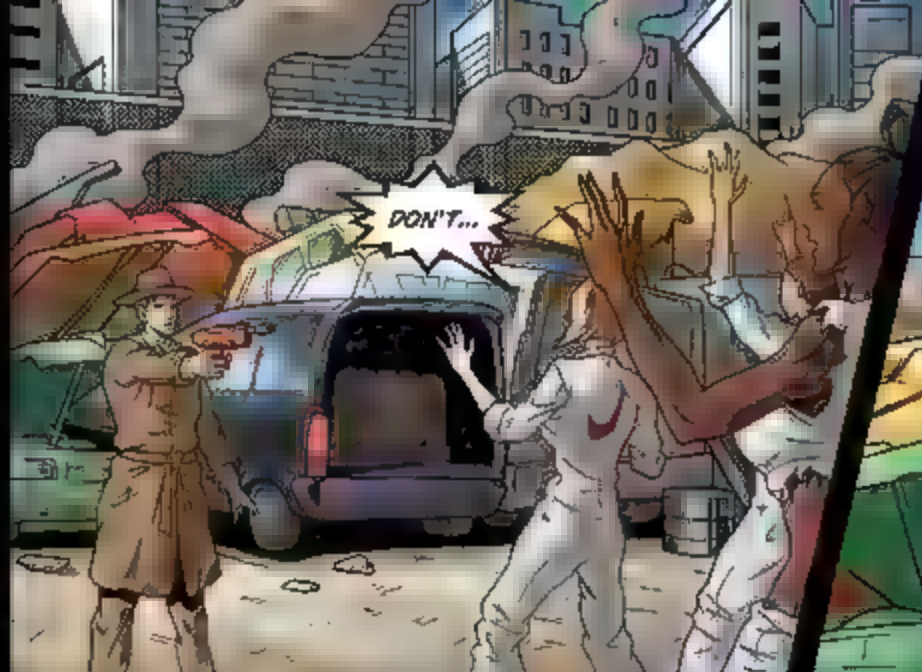


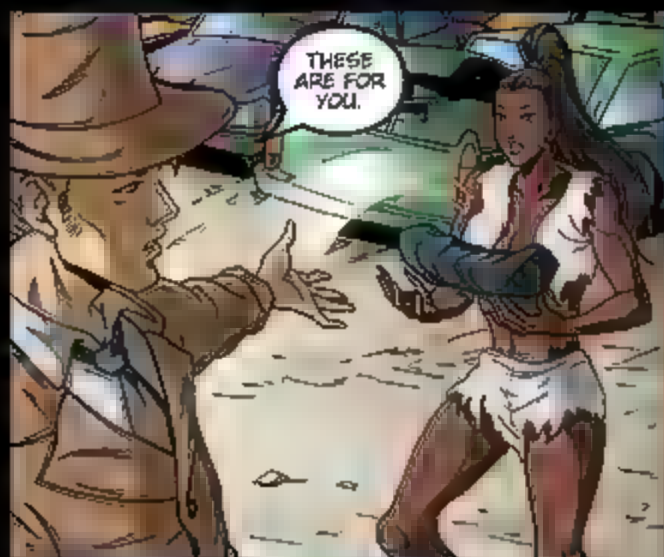
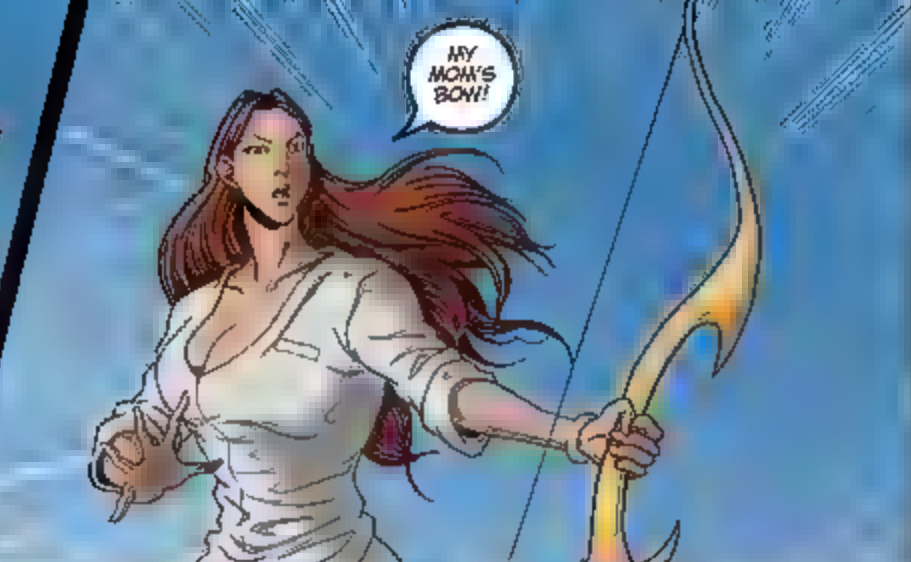




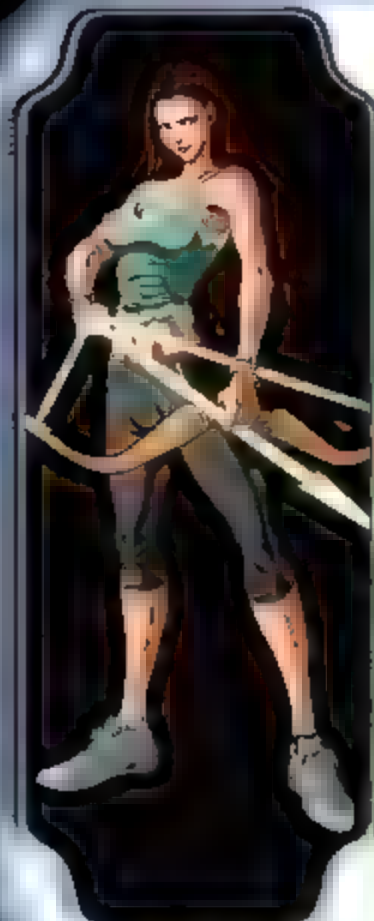












Name/Rank: Alanis Blackfox
Race: Dyanon / Human Hybrid
Homeworld: Earth

Biography:

Alanis is the daughter of Temis and Joseph Blackfox, a Cherokee tribal leader. After the final rebellion, led by Suras, Alanis and all of the other known children were rounded up in order to keep their parents in line. The parents all fear for the safety of their children, and do not attempt rescue. Held at a secure detention center, and fitted with a special device that limited her enhanced hearing and sight, Alanis was only allowed to interact with a couple of her peers at any given time. This carried on for six years, until their rescue by Hermaz "Uncle Herman." She has one of her mother's bows, but the fate of her mother is still in question.

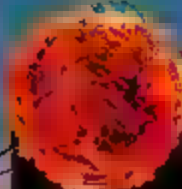
Personality Profile:

Alanis is a capable young woman, that has managed to maintain a positive outlook on life despite her circumstances.

Powers / Abilities:

She has immense instincts and reflexes. All of her senses have been magnified to an extraordinary degree. For instance, she can see equally well in the dark, and for miles away. Her eyes can even see different wavelengths of light. She can hear the faintest whisper even further and identify the sounds with amazing clarity. The most startling facet is some sort of sixth sense that seems to warn her of danger. She can use these senses to track most any prey with ease. Her reflexes and speed are also amazing. She can move blindingly fast. All of her powers compliment the capabilities of her "light bow" to create a deadly huntress. Although none of these senses are at the same level as those of her mother, she possesses a unique capability to hone in on and sense hybrids, like herself. She possesses a sort of sixth sense in regard to them.





**RED
GIANT**

ENTERTAINMENT
#22 AUG
2012

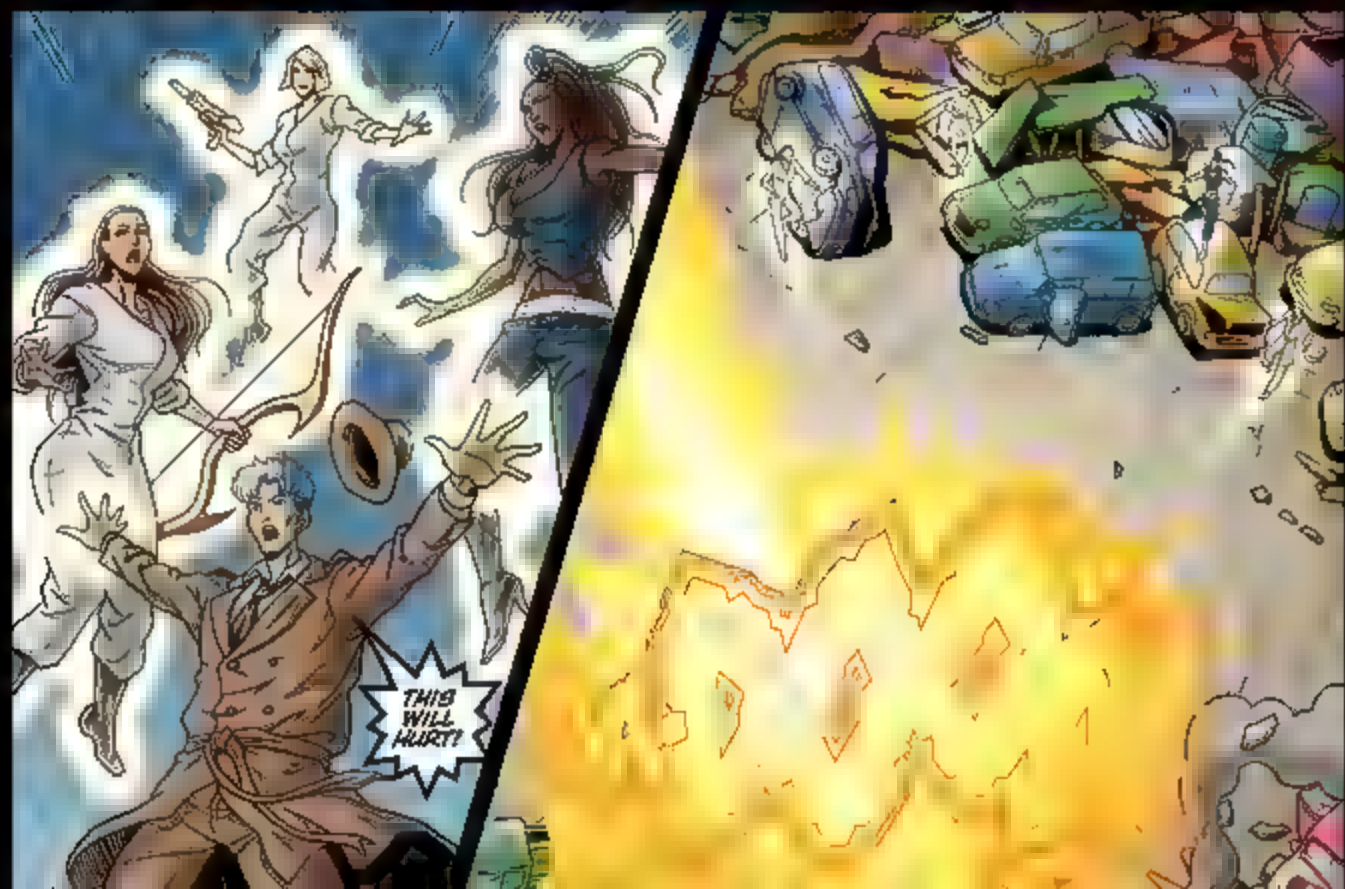
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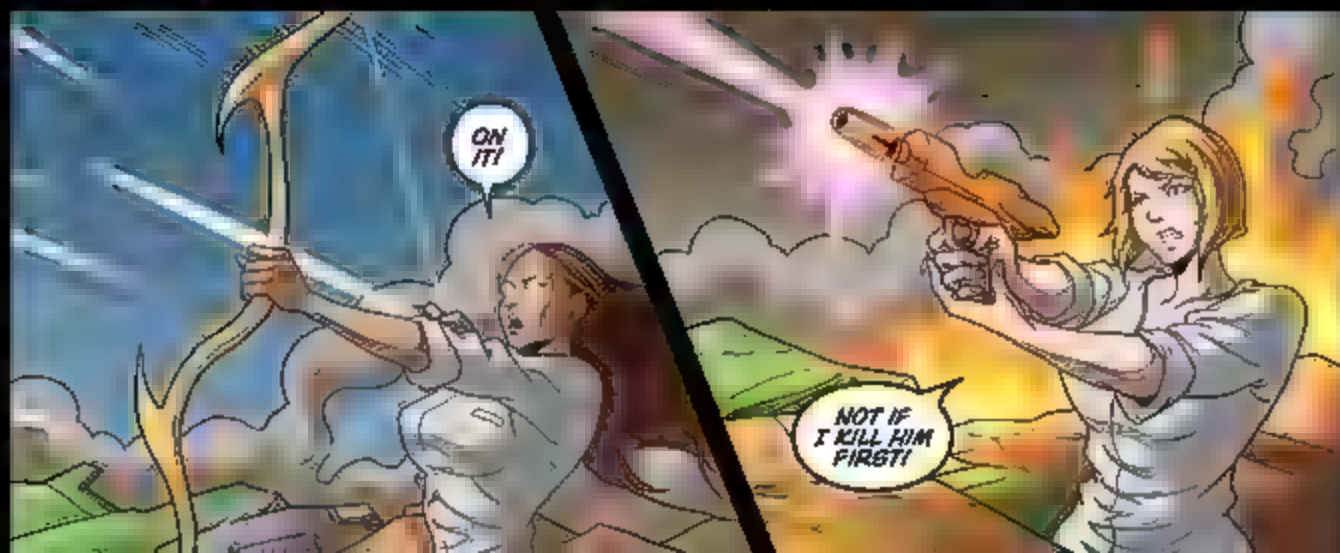
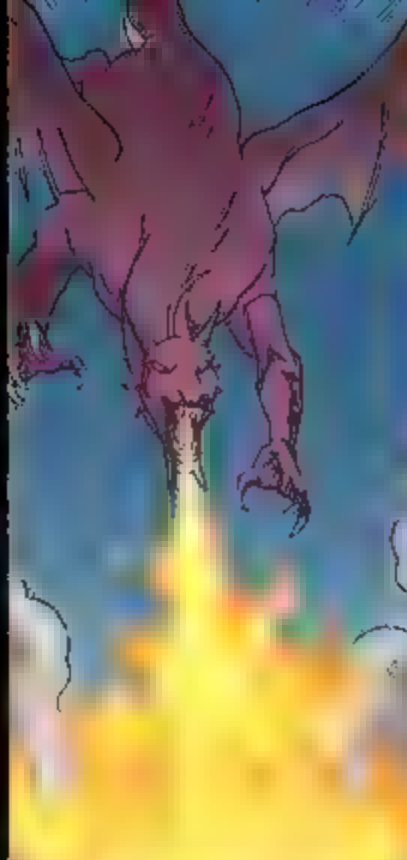


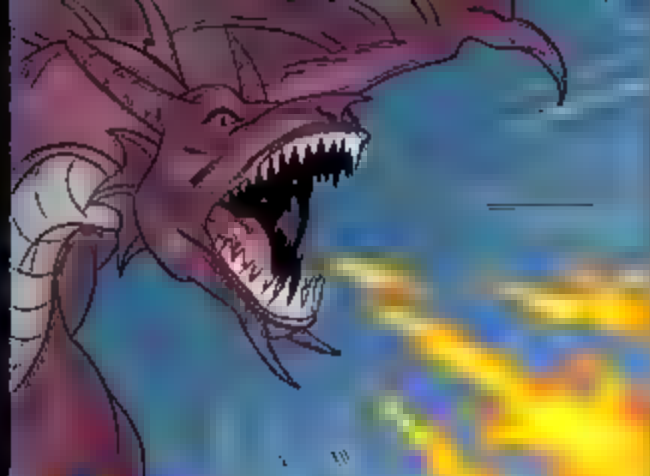
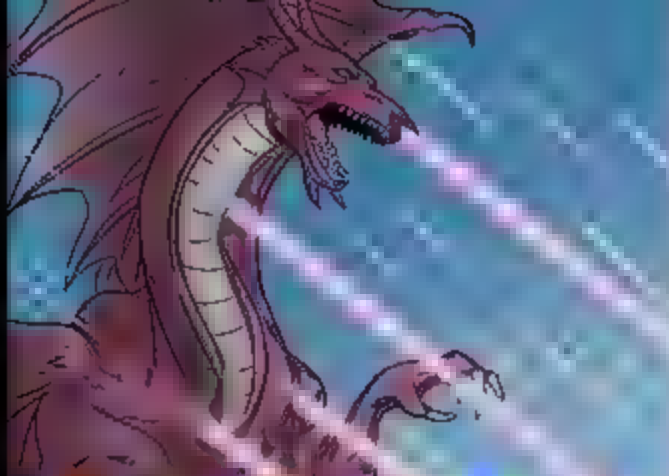
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PRESENT TENSE PART TWO

STORY & LETTERS	THANKS! SILENT STUDIOS	INKS	COLORS
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WELL
THAT
WORKED
OUT..



WE'RE
NOT DONE
YET ..

AIM
FOR HIS
EYES!



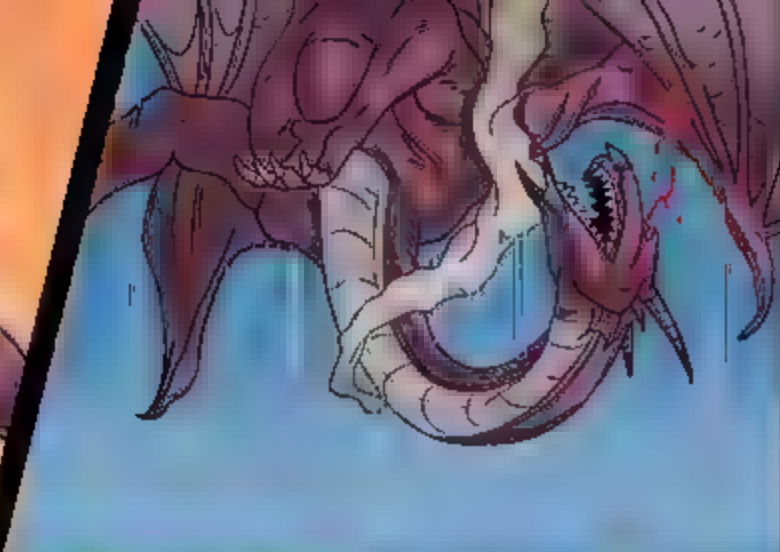
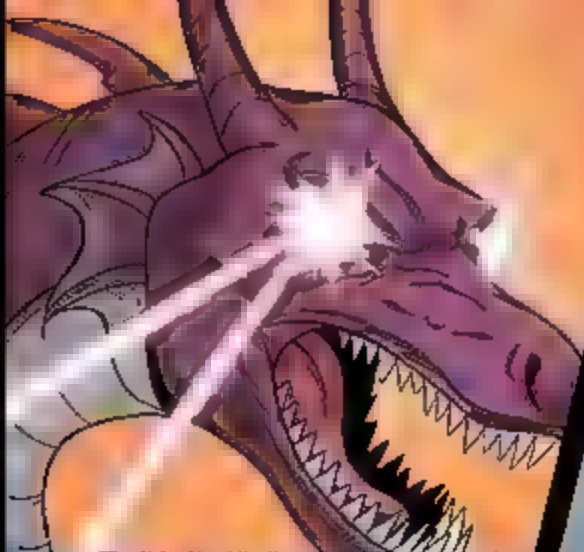
I'VE
GOT HIS
LEFT.



AND
I'LL TAKE
HIS RIGHT
ONE...



AND MEET
IN THE
MIDDLE





Name/Rank: Danielle LeCuyer
Race: Torsian / Human Hybrid
Homeworld: Earth

Biography:

Danielle is the daughter of Hurk and a wealthy Moroccan woman. Hurk had a brief fling with Danielle's mother in Paris, and unknowingly got her pregnant. Her mother was shunned by her conservative parents and used what little resources remained to her to track down Hurk in New York. By the time she located Hurk, however, Danielle was already in her late teens. Hurk took responsibility right away and married Danielle's mom. Unfortunately, their union was short lived. When Danielle was about to be captured, Dani's powers activated for the first time. Tragically, this caused their house to collapse, crushing her mother.

Personality Profile:

Danielle was well-adjusted, despite the circumstances of her childhood. She tries to hold in the pain she feels and instead channels that into rage toward those who were really to blame. She is an incredibly focused and bright young woman who maintains her focus even during extreme situations.

Powers / Abilities.

Danielle has the ability to increase her size, strength and mass to an astonishing degree. Her mass increases in direct proportion to her size, her strength grows exponentially, thus offsetting the typical mass/strength issue associated with rapid growth and the need to support one's own weight and structure. She does this by drawing on matter around her in some unknown way. The very ground beneath her feet supports her massive strength and powers. This, however, also means she must be "grounded" to use her abilities at all. She can grow to be as big as Typhon, and may be as strong as her father. She's been given special clothes that grow and shrink with her as she uses her abilities.



ROAR

**SHUT
UP!**

**THIS
ONE IS FOR
MY MOM!**

**THIS
ONE IS
FOR MY
DAD!**

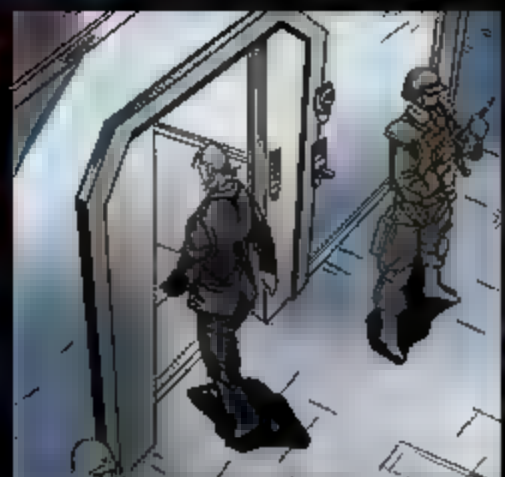
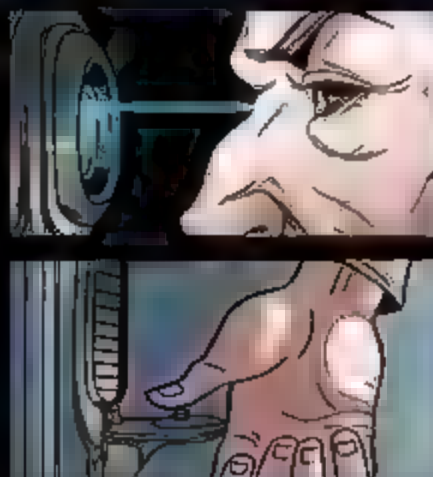
**AND
THIS ONE
IS FOR
ME!**

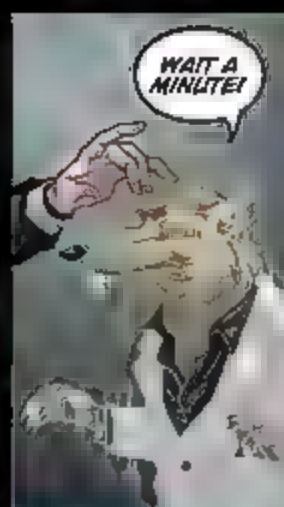
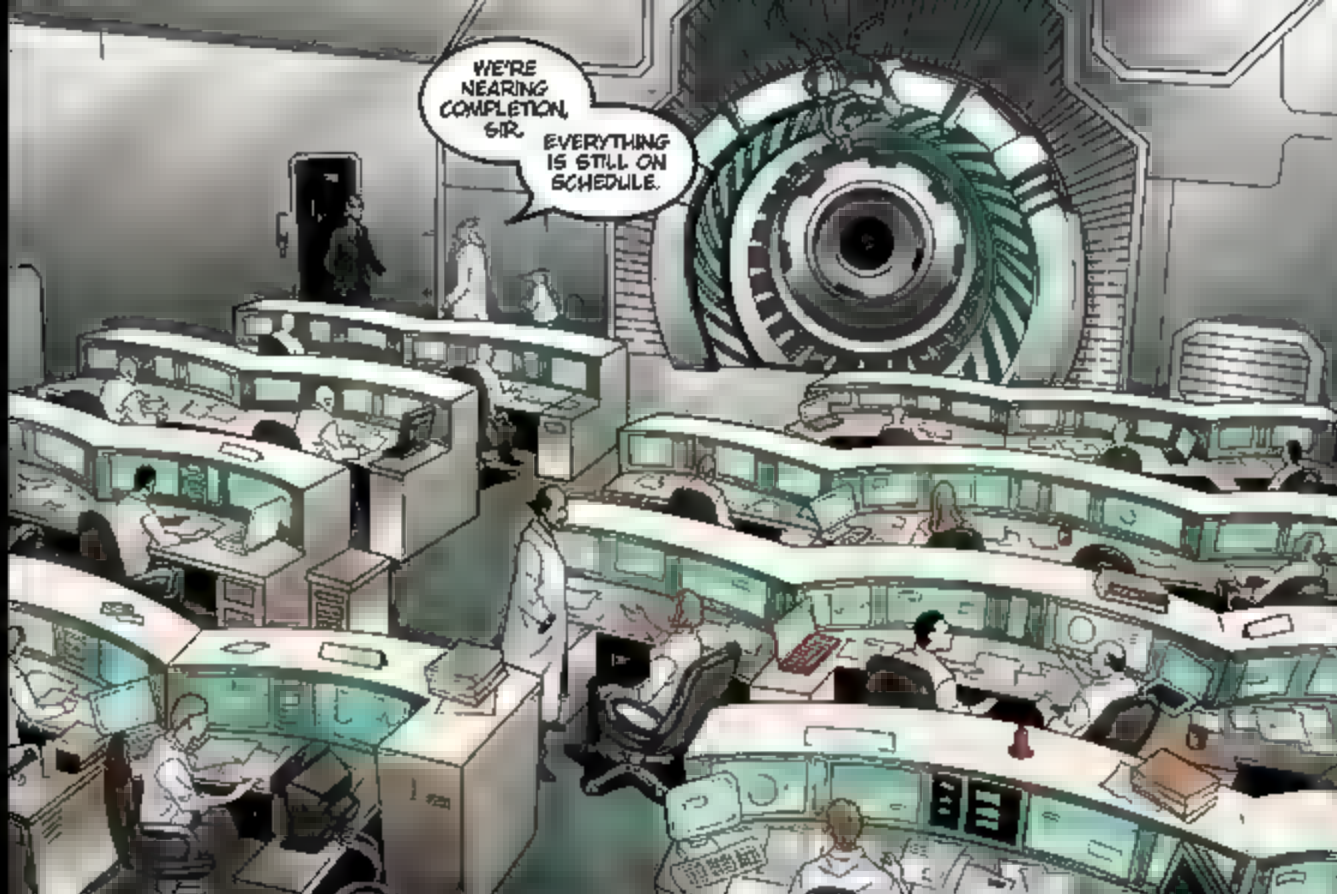
**STAY
DOWN!**

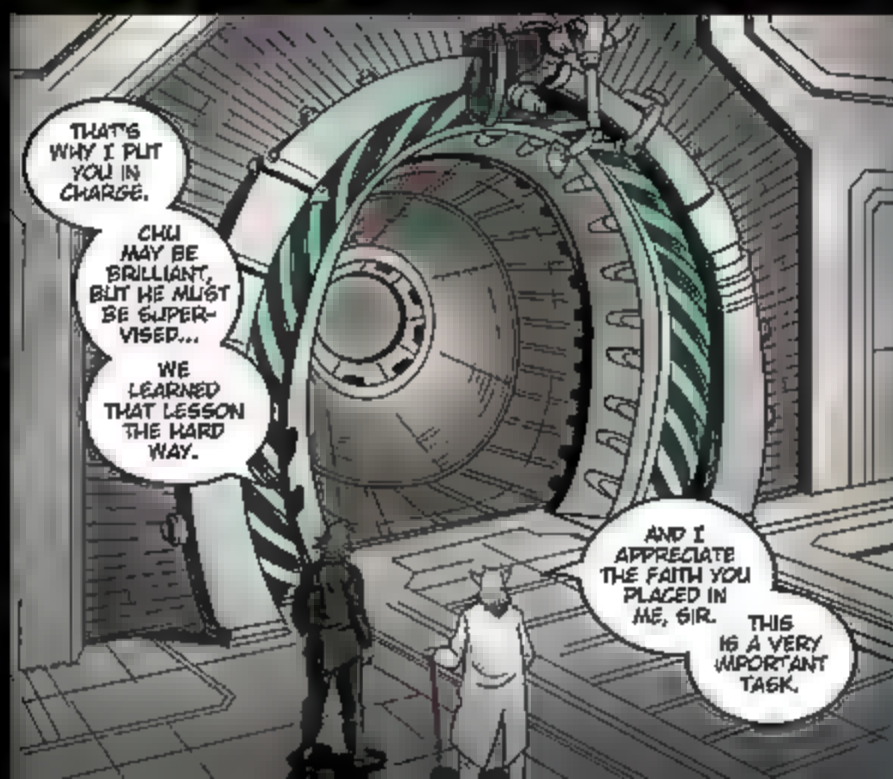
**GOOD
BOY.**

WHO'S
NEXT?











Name/Rank: Eris Martin
Race: Marzden / Human Hybrid
Homeworld: Earth

Biography:

Eris is the daughter of Airez and a human mother. While Eris was growing up, Airez served in the military for the United Government's peace-keeping forces. At the time, Airez was keeping a low profile, and moving around all the time suited his purposes. Eris didn't mind one bit. She loved every minute of it. After the war broke out, Airez rejoined Suras and was branded a world traitor. Eris was one of the first "halfie" children to be picked up, and kept locked away "for her safety." This caused Airez to leave the conflict, and helped turn the tide in Kronos' favor to win the last war.

Personality Profile:

Eris is a brash and angry young woman. She feels directly responsible for the state of the world at large, and lashes out at the world as a defense mechanism. Thus, her bravado is only a facade, and a tenuous one at that.

Powers / Abilities:

Eris is able to imbue any weapon she holds with her Star Core energy in what she calls "ghost bullets." The bigger the weapon, the more energy she is able to charge it with, exponentially. This is a staggering concept when you consider that even a small sidearm could discharge a blast with enough concussive force to demolish a tank. This effect works on conventional weapons as well as energy weapons. A machine gun, for instance, would fire charged bursts of energy. She is also capable of firing this energy from her fingertips, but doing so is extremely painful for her. She simply has to make a gun shape with her fingers to use this ability. Eris is a spectacular marksman. She's not as good as Alanis, but her marksmanship comes from a lifetime of practice.





WE
TOTALLY
KICKED THAT
DRAGON'S
BUTT!

THAT
WAS ONLY
A HATCHLING,
MY [REDACTED]

HAD
THAT BEEN
EKIDNA OR
TYPHON, WE'D
HAVE BEEN IN
FOR MORE OF
A FIGHT!

THAT'S
ALL WELL AND
GOOD, BUT YOU
STILL HAVEN'T TOLD
US WHERE WE'RE
GOING.



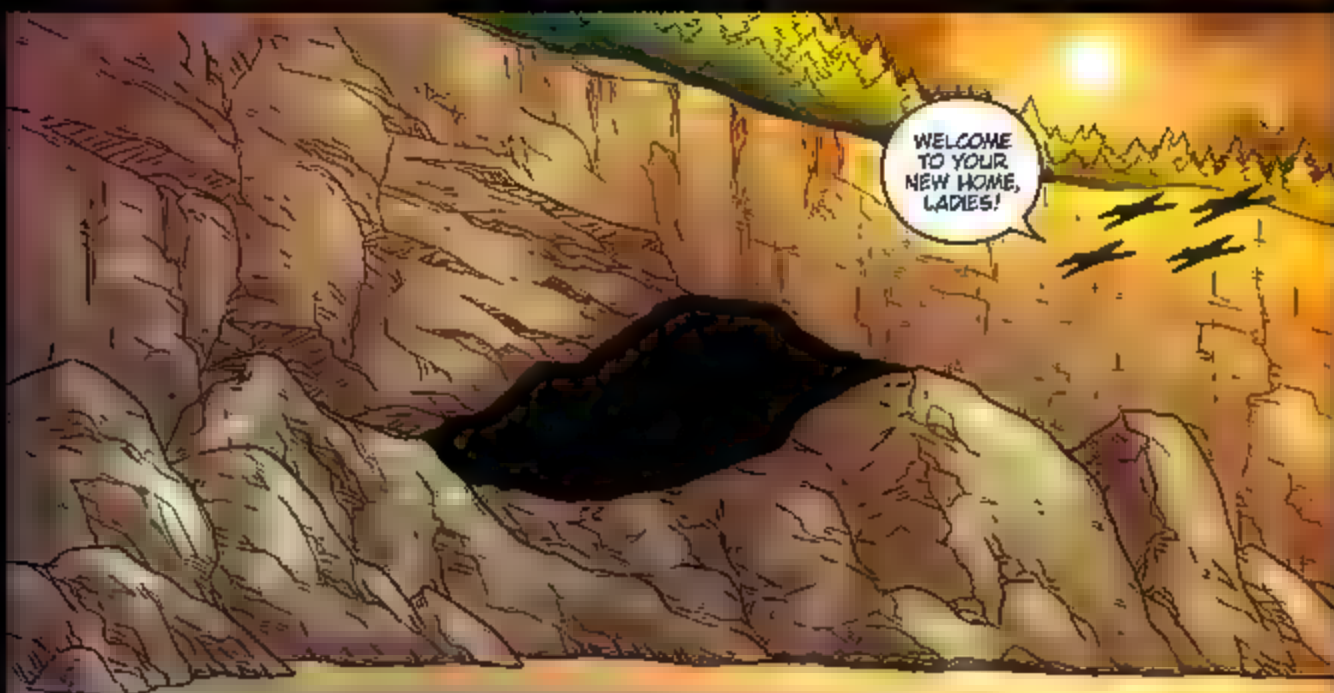
WOULD
YOU RATHER WE
STOOD AROUND
AND WAIT FOR
MORE TO
SHOW UP?



WE'RE
MEETING
UP WITH
SOME OLD
FRIENDS.



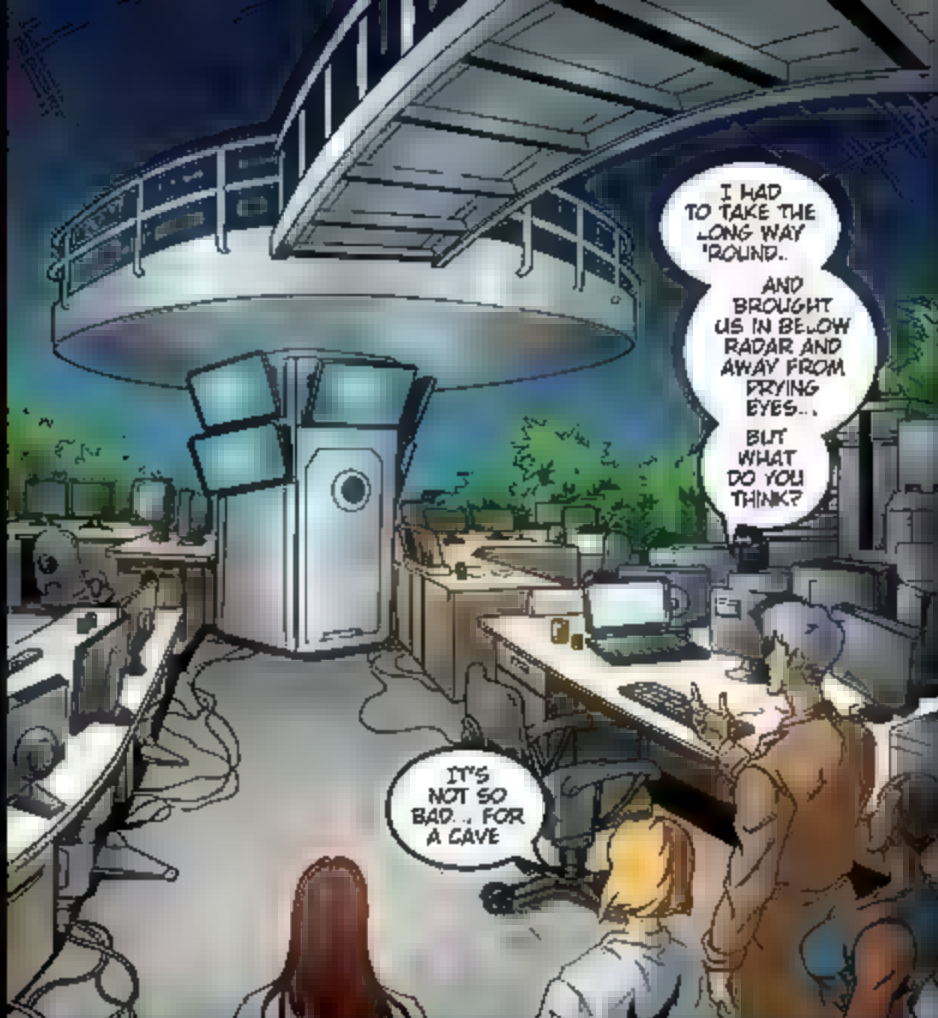
AND
WE'RE
ALREADY
HERE.



WELCOME
TO YOUR
NEW HOME,
LADIES!



SORRY
IT TOOK
SO LONG TO
GET HERE.

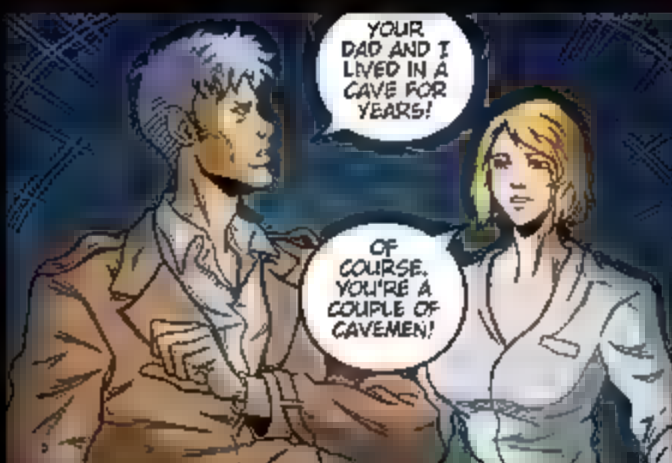


I HAD
TO TAKE THE
LONG WAY
'ROUND..

AND
BROUGHT
US IN BELOW
RADAR AND
AWAY FROM
PRYING
EYES...

BUT
WHAT
DO YOU
THINK?

IT'S
NOT SO
BAD... FOR
A CAVE



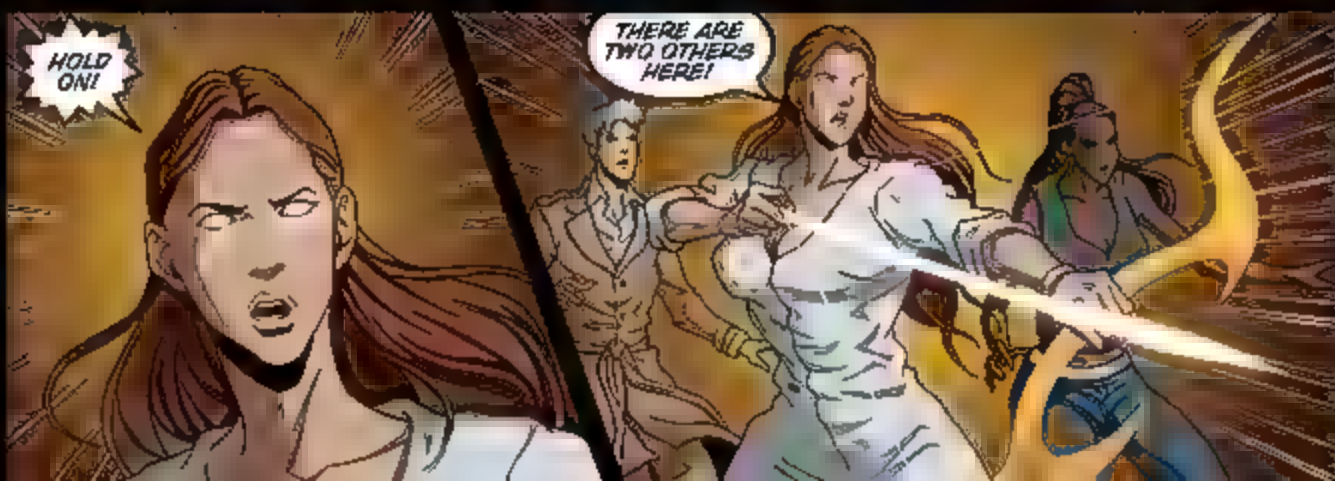
YOUR
DAD AND I
LIVED IN A
CAVE FOR
YEARS!

OF
COURSE,
YOU'RE A
COUPLE OF
CAVEMEN!



IT'S
LOVELY ..
AND THANKS
FOR FREEING
US

NOW
HOW ABOUT
WE START
GETTING
ANSWERS?



HOLD
ON!

THERE ARE
TWO OTHERS
HERE!



WHOA!
THEY'RE
FRIENDS.



I KNOW
WE'RE ALL A
BIT JUMPY
AFTER THAT
RESCUE...



BUT
THESE ARE
THE PEOPLE I
BROUGHT YOU
TO MEET.



SAY
HELLO TO
CASSIE
SIBYL...

AND
ATHENA
COHEN.



ATHENA,
AS IN,
ETHAYNIA,
CORRECT?
MY DAD
TOLD ME
ABOUT
YOU...



YOU'RE
SO DIRECT...
JUST LIKE
YOUR
FATHER

YES,
THAT WAS
MY NAME A
LONG TIME
AGO.



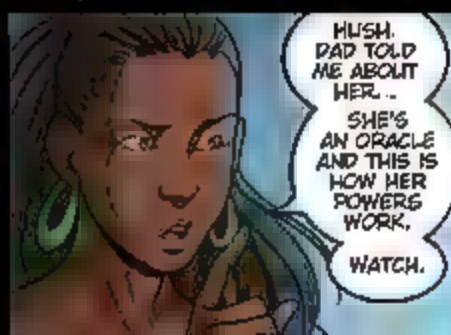
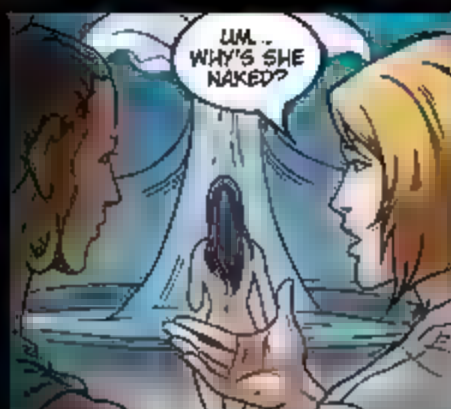
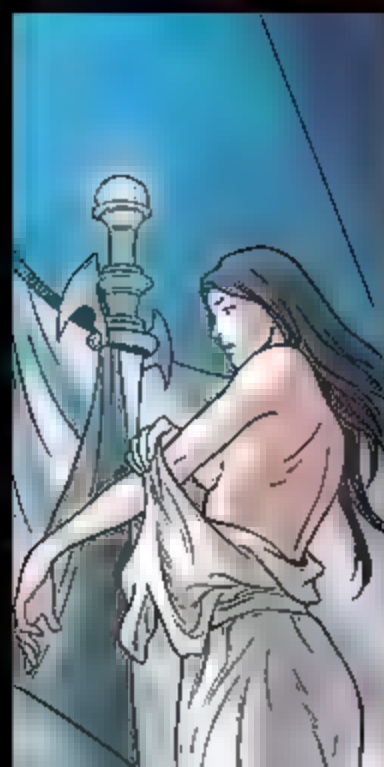
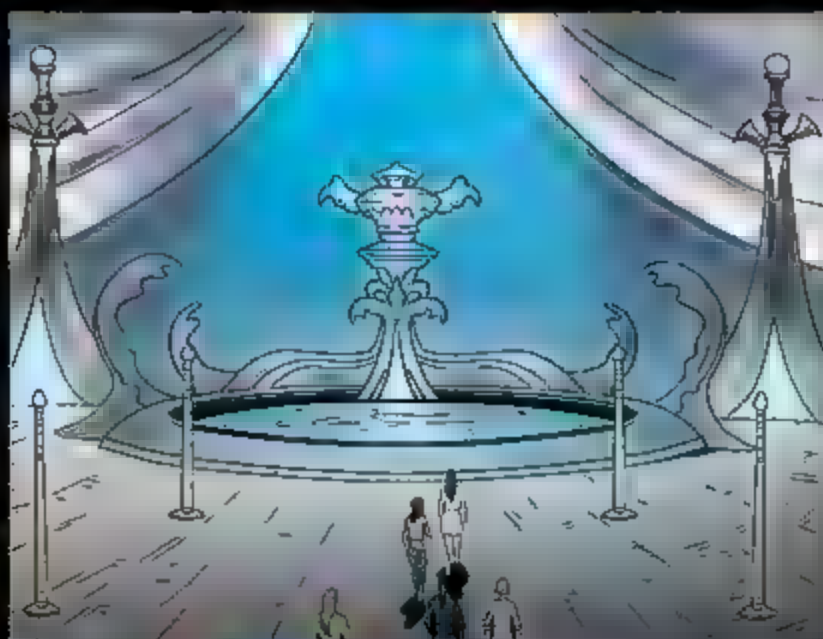
COME
WITH ME,
AND I WILL
ANSWER
ALL OF YOUR
QUESTIONS.



I CAN'T
BELIEVE THEY
DON'T JUST
TELL US WHAT
THE HELL IS
GOING ON!



I
KNOW.
THIS
GRAP IS
GETTING OLD,
FAST!



THE CREW OF WAYWARD SONS ARE HUGE FANS OF THE COMIC, DYPO.NLINE. SO LAST YEAR WE MADE AN UNSOLICITED FAN STRIP AND SENT IT TO THE CREATOR AS OUR WAY OF SHOWING HIM HOW MUCH WE CARE ABOUT WHAT HE DOES.

PVP HAS A LONG HISTORY WITH THE MMORPG, "CITY OF HEROES" SO WE CHOSE THAT AS THE THEME OF OUR LITTLE STRIP AND POKE FUN AT A RECENT EXPANSION THE GAME HAD MADE AT THE TIME. THIS WAS WHAT WE CAME UP WITH...

SUPER PVP FRIENDS

Return to City of Heroes!



I CAN'T BELIEVE HOW LONG IT'S BEEN SINCE WE'VE PLAYED COM!

WELL NOW THAT IT'S FREE, IT GAVE US THE PERFECT EXCUSE TO REJOIN.

THAT'S WHAT THEY WANT YOU TO THINK... AS SOON AS YOU SAW ONE OF THE PACKS, YOU TALKED US ALL INTO BUYING IT...

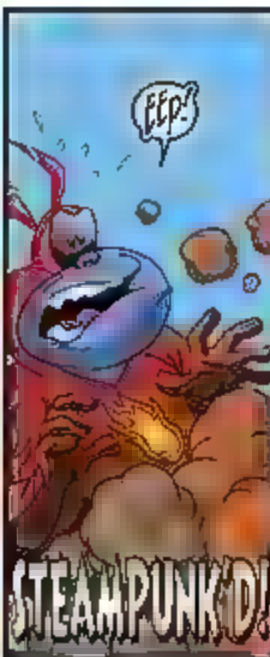
LET'S DO THIS THING!

STEAMPUNK POWERS ACTIVATE!



EEP!

STEAMPUNK'D!



THIS IS PRETTY COOL...

SEE GUYS, TOTALLY WORTH IT!



WAIT UP GUYS, SKULL DIDN'T CHANGE

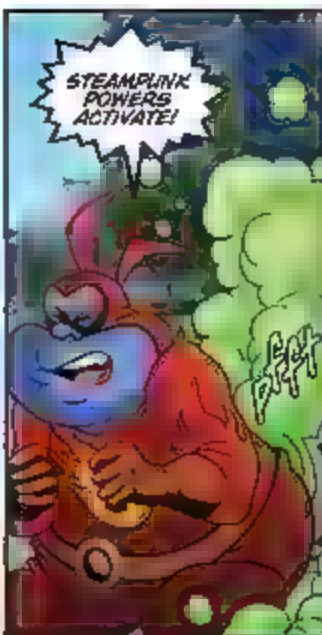
DON'T TELL ME YOU DIDN'T GET THE PACK.



UHHH NO I DID... I JUST LMA MISSED THE CLUE LET ME TRY AGAIN.



STEAMPUNK POWERS ACTIVATE!



OOPS. SORRY ABOUT THAT GUYS.

UHH GUYS?



NOW WE ALSO HAPPEN TO BE HUGE FANS OF THE GAME AS WELL... AND YOU MAY HAVE HEARD THAT IT HAS BEEN RECENTLY SLATED FOR CANCELLATION.

SO WITH MR. KURTZ'S PERMISSION, WE POSTED THIS STRIP TO RAISE AWARENESS IN THE HOPE THAT SOME OF OUR FANS MIGHT JOIN US IN LETTING THE OWNERS OF CITY OF HEROES KNOW WE DON'T WANT TO SEE THE WORLD THAT SO MANY OF US PLAYED IN BE DESTROYED.

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"WE CAME FROM THE STARS
NEARLY FIVE THOUSAND OF
YOUR EARTH YEARS AGO.."

"WE HAD JUST WON A
CIVIL WAR, AGAINST THE
TRAITOROUS KRONOS.."

"BEINGS LATER KNOWN
AS THE TYTANS -- NAMED
AFTER THE PRISON SHIP
THEY CRASH LANDED IN."

"WE FIRST FOUGHT
THEM IN EGYPT -- A
BATTLEGROUND WE
WOULD FACE THEM
TIME AND TIME AGAIN."

"WE WON EVERY BATTLE
WE FOUGHT THERE.."

"...AND THAT LED TO
OVERCONFIDENCE, AND
OUR DOWNFALL."



Name/Rank: Lt. Hermaz "aka Herman"
Position: Communications Officer
Starship: Ulympea
Race: Makayri
Homeworld: Loc

Biography:

Hermaz was among the last to defy Kronos, and eventually went into hiding after their ultimate defeat. He continued to lead sorties against various Kronos activities, and cause general mayhem for years. As one of the few Ulympeans without any children, his actions could go largely unpunished as long as he was never captured. In recent years, however, he began to despair and gave up his campaign against Kronos... until he was contacted by Ethaynia and Cassie. They provided him with one more mission .. to save the world.

Personality Profile:

Hermaz has mellowed only slightly over the years. He continues to be a complete scoundrel, however. His sense of humor has somewhat diminished as he finds fewer things worth laughing about while the world remains under what he terms as "Kronos' iron fist."

Powers / Abilities.

Hermaz has the ability to effectively decrease the effects of gravity on himself and those around him. He can further propel himself ostensibly by manipulation of those same forces quite quickly. He can also greatly increase the effects of gravity as well. This allows him to pin or even crush opponents should he desire. He can effortlessly manipulate multiple targets and several tons. Weight, it seems, is not a factor... Proximity also seems to be any object or being within his line of sight. His reaction time and reflexes have also been increased, and seem to keep pace with his movements. Beings who also manipulate gravity in some fashion are often immune to his powers.



"WE CONTINUED OUR CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE REMNANTS OF THE TYTANS WHO HAD SCATTERED ACROSS THE GLOBE."

"WHEREVER THE TYTANS WOULD SURFACE TO THREATEN HUMANITY, WE WOULD SWOOP IN TO PLAY THE HEROES..."

"KRONOS, HOWEVER, WOULD REMAIN HIDDEN FOR QUITE SOME TIME..."

"AND SURAS DID LITTLE TO PURSUE HIS FORMER MENTOR AND FRIEND."

"INSTEAD WE WERE CONTENT TO TRY TO HANDLE WHATEVER CRISIS CAME UP..."

"EVEN THOSE WE CAUSED."



"BY THE TIME WE FOUND KRONOS, HE HAD AMASSED AN ARMY IN CHINA, AND HAD CARVED OUT A VAST EMPIRE."

"WE WERE COMPLETELY UNPREPARED FOR WHAT WE FACED THERE."

"THE HUMANS FOUGHT WITH THE TYTANS AGAINST US!"

"FOR THE FIRST TIME, WE WERE DEFEATED."

"IT WAS TO BE JUST THE FIRST OF MANY."

"WE WERE EVEN DRIVEN FROM OUR OWN HOME AND FORCED TO FLEE."



"KRONOS WAS NOT WILLING TO BE AS FORGIVING AS SURAS HAD BEEN."

"WHEREVER WE WENT, WE WERE HUNTED BY KRONOS' FORCES."

"OUR FORCES THAT ONCE NUMBERED IN THE THOUSANDS DWINDLED TO THE HUNDREDS."

"ONLY THE STAR CORE SWORD WAS ABLE TO KEEP THE WOLVES AT BAY."

"MEANWHILE THE TYTANS SPREAD LIKE WILDFIRE ACROSS THE WORLD."

"THE AELFIN AND FAERLI CONTROLLED MUCH OF EUROPE."

"WHILE THEY GREW, STRONGER, WE WERE LOSING A WAR OF ATTRITION."

"THE TABLES HAD TURNED ON US."



"FOR AWHILE, WE HAD
ESTABLISHED A BASE
IN ENGLAND, AND ALL
WAS WELL."

"EVEN CROSSING
THE OCEAN GAVE
US NO RESPITE."

"HIS EVER-EXPANDING
EMPIRE FOLLOWED
US AT EVERY TURN."

"BUT ONCE MORE,
KRONOS FOLLOWED
US, AND DROVE US
OUT SO HE COULD
TAKE OVER..."

"EVENTUALLY, SURAS
DID THE ONLY THING
HE COULD DO TO SAVE
THE REST OF US."

"HE SURRENDERED."

"WE MADE PEACE
WITH KRONOS, AND
VOWED NOT TO
INTERFERE IN HIS
PLANS AGAIN."

"THAT SHOULD
HAVE BEEN THE
END OF THINGS."



"WE MAINTAINED THE
PEACE FOR CENTURIES,
NO MATTER WHAT
KRONOS DID."

"THOSE OF US LEFT
RALLIED TO SURAS'
SIDE IN THE LAST
GREAT BATTLE..."

"UNTIL A FEW YEARS
AGO, KRONOS BROKE
OUR ACCORD WHEN HE
DEMANDED SURAS TURN
OVER THE STAR CORE."

"AS DID SOME OF
OUR CHILDREN."



"IT WASN'T
ENOUGH."

"KRONOS GOT WHAT
HE WANTED, AND
SURAS WAS KILLED"



Name/Rank: Lt. Deon Nysus
Former Position: Navigations Officer
Currently: Bar Owner
Starship: Ulympea
Race: Amaethon
Homeworld: Bahka

Biography:

After the hostilities ended, Nysus drifted away from many of his former teammates. Over the years he worked in and around breweries, and eventually set up a small bar in New York. He and his children worked the establishment for several generations. When Suras made his last stand, Nysus stood by his side along with twelve of his sons and daughters. Only one of his children survived the battle, and all of his progeny were later taken into "protective" custody to keep their father in line.

Personality Profile:

Nysus lost a lot during the last great war and blames himself for bringing his children into the conflict. He has grudgingly helped the resistance from time to time, but only in a minimal capacity. He can't risk losing any more of his family. He knows that he's being closely monitored, because his powers are among the most formidable and deadly among the remaining Ulympeans.

Powers / Abilities:

Nysus has one of the most powerful abilities – the ability to affect the relative passage of time. One use of this can be employed to create a stasis field that effectively freezes objects or people. Another application is to speed up the relative time around a person or object. In this second use, he can choose to focus its effects to be on a cellular or molecular level, increasing the effects of aging or decay. For instance, he can use it to rust a perfectly new iron sword into dust within less than the blink of an eye. By extending this field, he is able to make his allies move faster than his enemies – giving a distinct advantage in battle.



"THE REST YOU KNOW..."

"KRONOS USED THE FACT THAT SOME OF OUR CHILDREN TOOK PART IN THE BATTLE TO CAPTURE AND IMPRISON EVERY ONE OF YOU THEY COULD FIND."

"THEY STRUCK WITHOUT MERCY AND WITHOUT WARNING."

"MANY OF YOU LED QUIET LIVES, AWAY FROM THE POLITICS OF THE CONFLICT."

"IT DIDN'T MATTER."

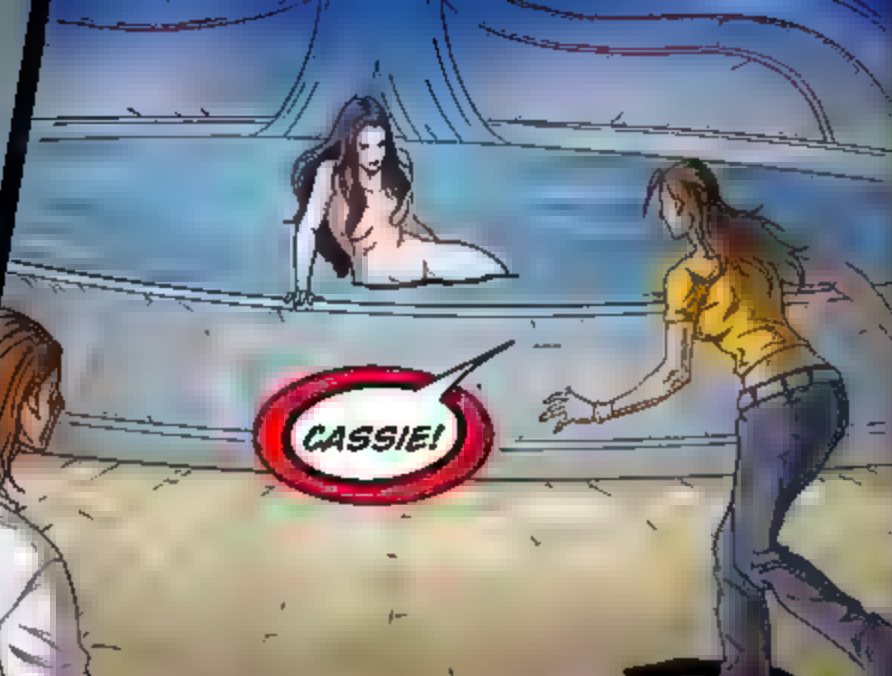
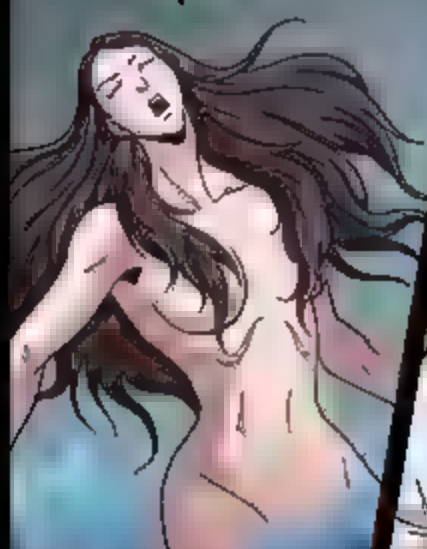
"THE REAL REASON YOU WERE BEING HELD WAS TO KEEP THE REMAINING ULYMPEANS IN LINE."

"THE MESSAGE WAS CLEAR..."

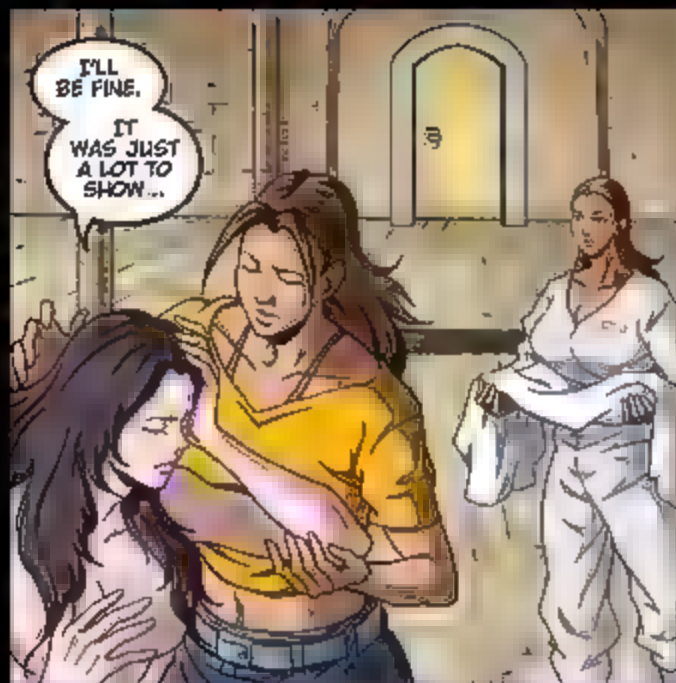
"IF WE EVER AGAIN REBEL, OUR OWN FAMILY WOULD BE THE ONES THAT WOULD SUFFER."



SUFF!



CASSIE!



I'LL BE FINE.

IT WAS JUST A LOT TO SHOW...



I CAN APPRECIATE THE HISTORY LESSON, BUT WHAT DOES THIS HAVE TO DO WITH US?



DON'T YOU GET IT?

THIS WAS THEIR RECRUITMENT PITCH...

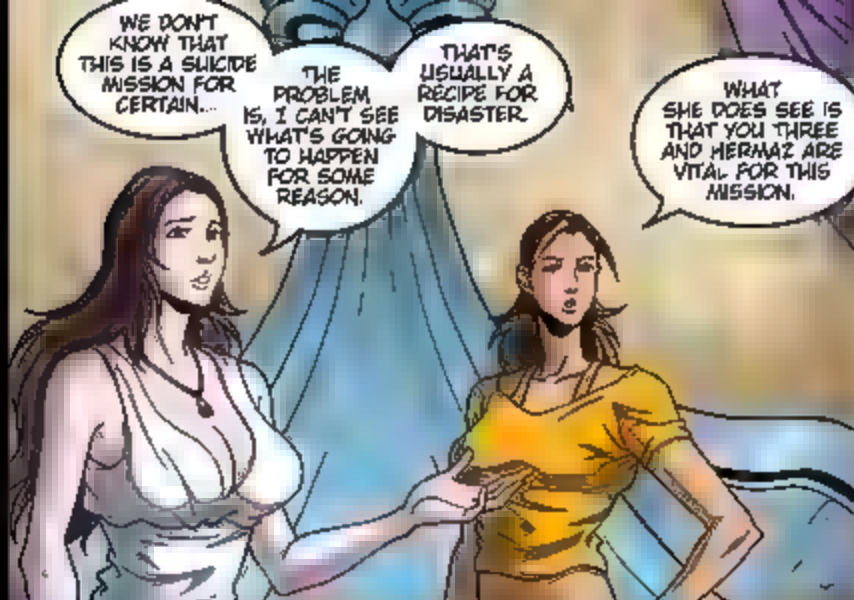
THEY'RE SENDING LIS ON A SUICIDE MISSION!



SHE'S RIGHT...

WE ARE.

WE HAVE NO OTHER CHOICE.



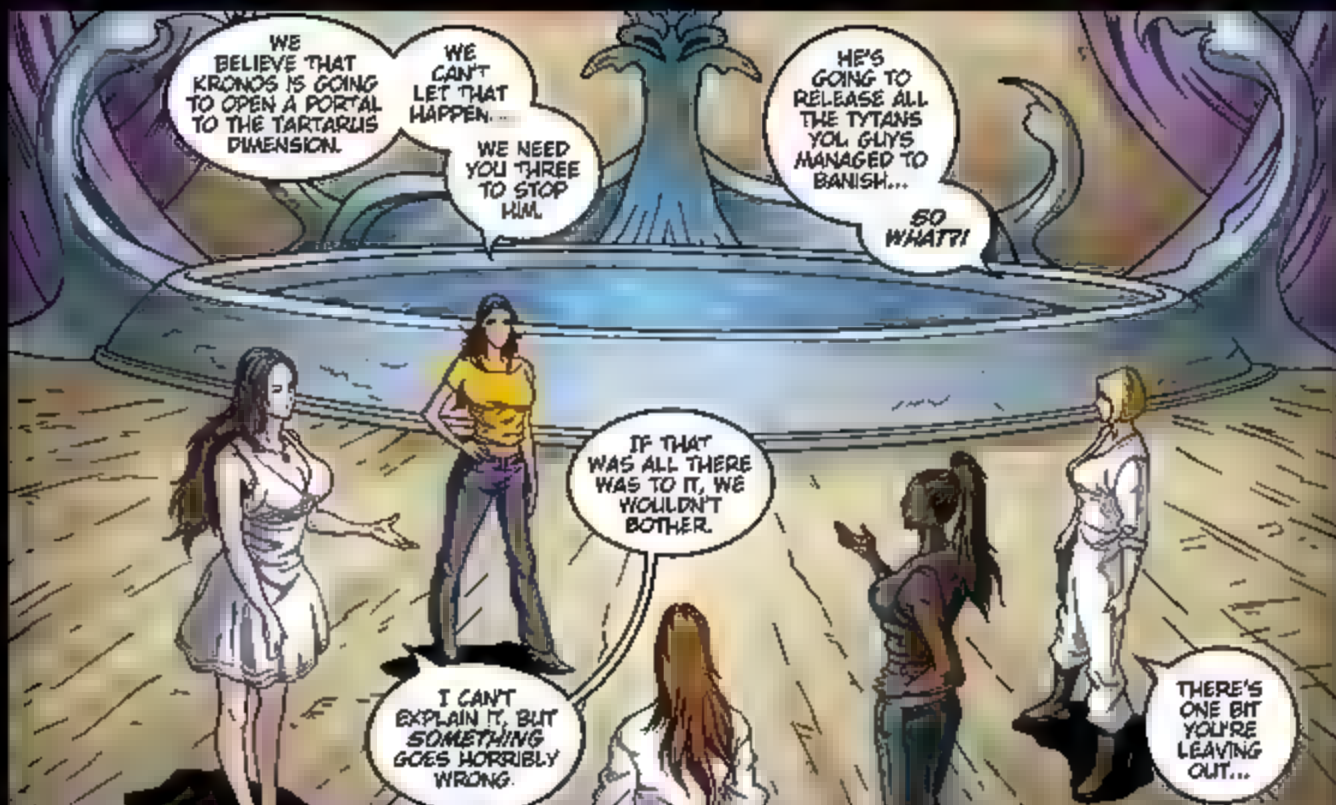
WE DON'T KNOW THAT THIS IS A SUICIDE MISSION FOR CERTAIN...

THE PROBLEM IS, I CAN'T SEE WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN FOR SOME REASON.

THAT'S USUALLY A RECIPE FOR DISASTER.

WHAT SHE DOES SEE IS THAT YOU THREE AND HERMAZ ARE VITAL FOR THIS MISSION.

WHY DON'T YOU START BY TELLING US WHAT THAT MISSION IS THEN?



WE BELIEVE THAT KRONOS IS GOING TO OPEN A PORTAL TO THE TARTARUS DIMENSION.

WE CAN'T LET THAT HAPPEN...

WE NEED YOU THREE TO STOP HIM.

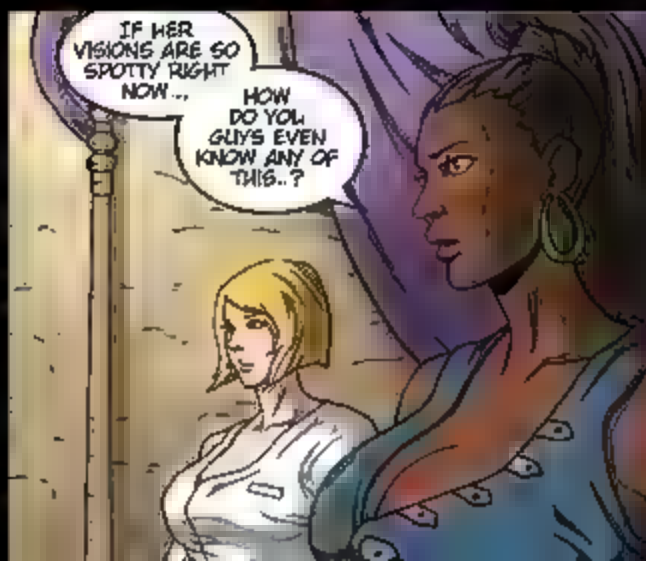
HE'S GOING TO RELEASE ALL THE TYTANS YOU GUYS MANAGED TO BANISH...

SO WHAT?!

IF THAT WAS ALL THERE WAS TO IT, WE WOULDN'T BOTHER.

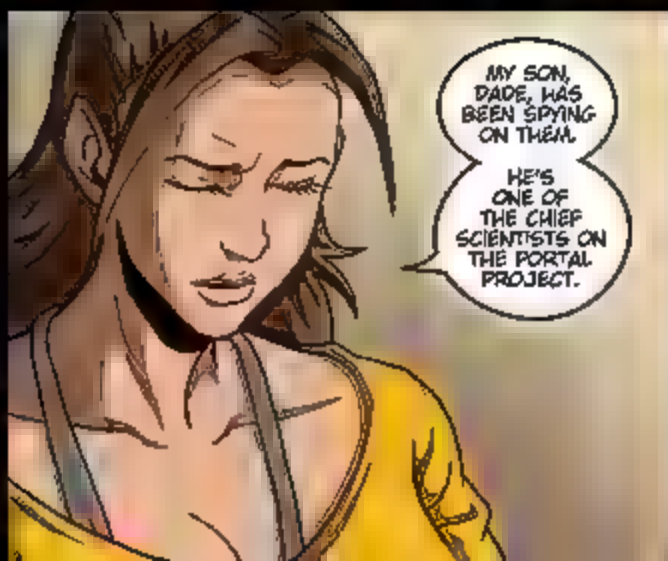
I CAN'T EXPLAIN IT, BUT SOMETHING GOES HORRIBLY WRONG.

THERE'S ONE BIT YOU'RE LEAVING OUT...



IF HER VISIONS ARE SO SPOTTY RIGHT NOW...

HOW DO YOU GUYS EVEN KNOW ANY OF THIS..?



MY SON, DADE, HAS BEEN SPYING ON THEM.

HE'S ONE OF THE CHIEF SCIENTISTS ON THE PORTAL PROJECT.

YOUR
SON'S
FREE?

AND HE'S
WORKING WITH
THEM?

WHAT
IN THE
HELLS?

NO,
HE'S ALSO
VERY MUCH A
HOSTAGE.

BUT
LIKE SO MANY
OF OUR OTHER
CHILDREN, HE'S
PROVEN USEFUL
TO THEM, SO
HE'S NOT
IMPRISONED.

YOU
MEAN LIKE HOW
YOU GUYS FREED
US BECAUSE
WE'RE NOW
USEFUL?

ENOUGH,
ERIS!

THIS IS
SERIOUS.

IF YOUR SON
IS IN CHARGE OF THE
MACHINE, WHY NOT
JUST HAVE HIM
SABOTAGE IT?

OTHERS
CHECK HIS
WORK AND
WOULD KNOW
RIGHT AWAY

AND
EVEN IF
HE COULD,
THEY'D JUST
BUILD ANOTHER
MACHINE AND
TRY AGAIN.

WE DON'T
NEED TO DESTROY
THEIR MACHINE,
YOU SIMPLY NEED
TO STEAL THEIR
POWER SOURCE.

WHAT'S
THAT?

THE
POWER
SOURCE ISN'T A
WHAT..

IT'S
A
WHO!

"CAPTAIN SURAS
ONLY SON.."

"JASON."

"HE'S BEING
HELD IN KRONOS'
MOST SECURE
COMPOUND ON
THE PLANET."

"AND IT'S UP
TO YOU TO
RESCUE HIM."





Name: Emperor Kronos (aka Yan)
Rank: World Leader / Former Admiral
Starship: Tytan
Race: Panthean
Homeworld: Parthenia Prime

Biography:

Kronos learned from his defeat in Egypt and took to heart the value of humans while on his journey of self-discovery in China. He became a celebrated leader and worked with the ancient Chinese to prepare a vast kingdom. When Suras' Ulympeans finally faced him in battle, it was this united front that shattered the Ulympean assault. Kronos then went on the offensive and began attacking Suras and his men wherever they ran across the globe... gaining new followers and conquering new territories along the way.

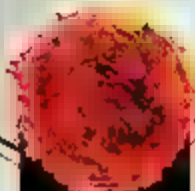
Personality Profile:

Kronos has changed over the millennia. He now seems to truly see himself as a servant and partner with those around him. However, he has no patience for those who don't see things the way he does. Further, he still believes that the ends justify the means, and that certain sacrifices must be made to achieve the greater good he strives for.

Powers / Abilities:

Kronos has the ability to channel vast amounts of energy known as "dark energy." This power is nearly limitless, and can disintegrate matter almost instantly. It's unknown why the skeletons of his victims seem to be left intact, as he's been able to shatter metal with ease. His energy is powerful enough to shatter forcefields that could withstand a barrage by thousands of Tytans, including Typhon. He has gained incredible accuracy with his powers as well, and can fire them at targets hundreds of yards away. His charismatic persona and keen tactical mind, however, may be his most formidable abilities.





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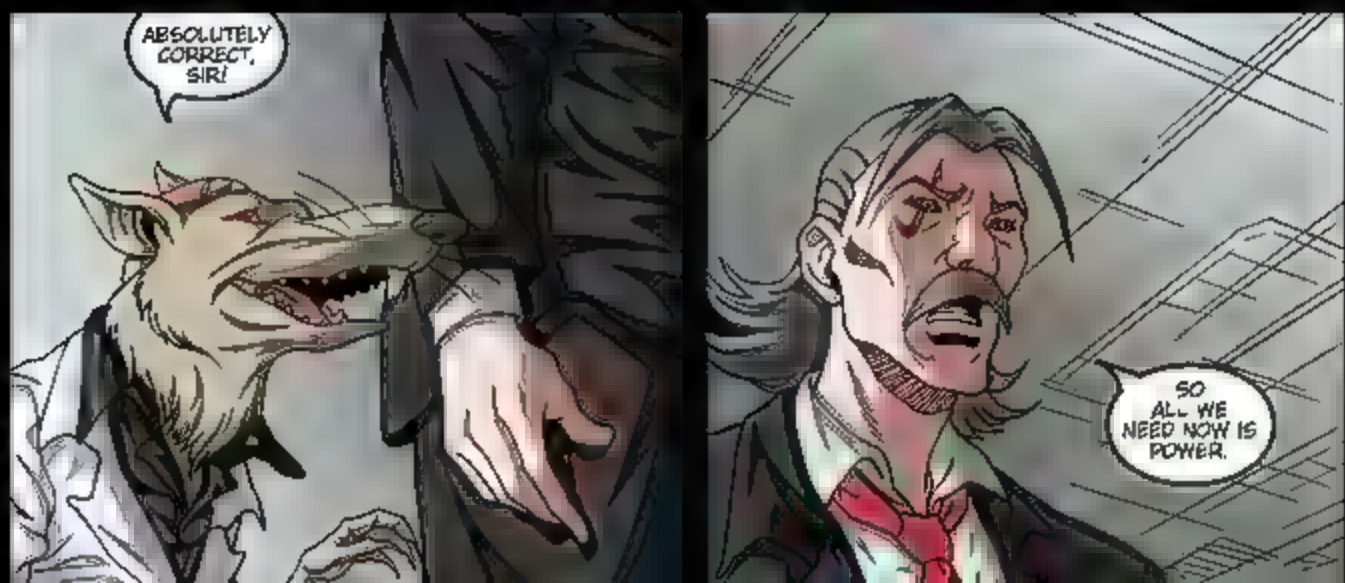
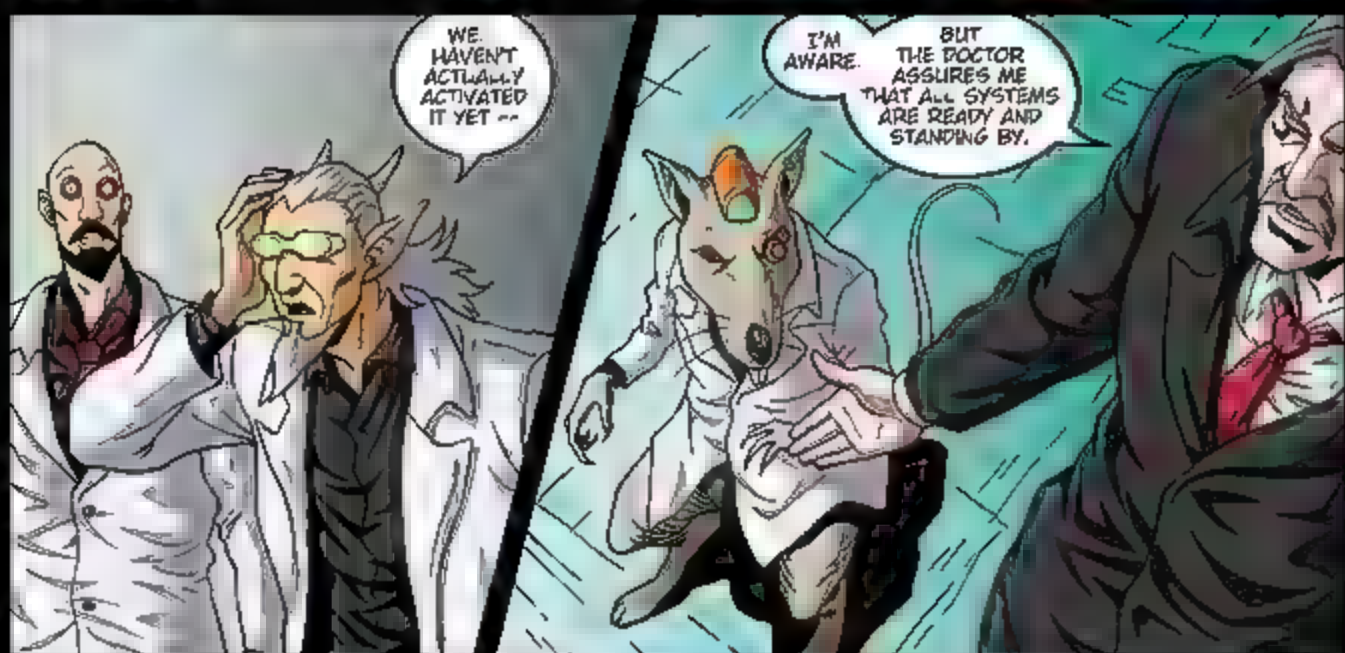
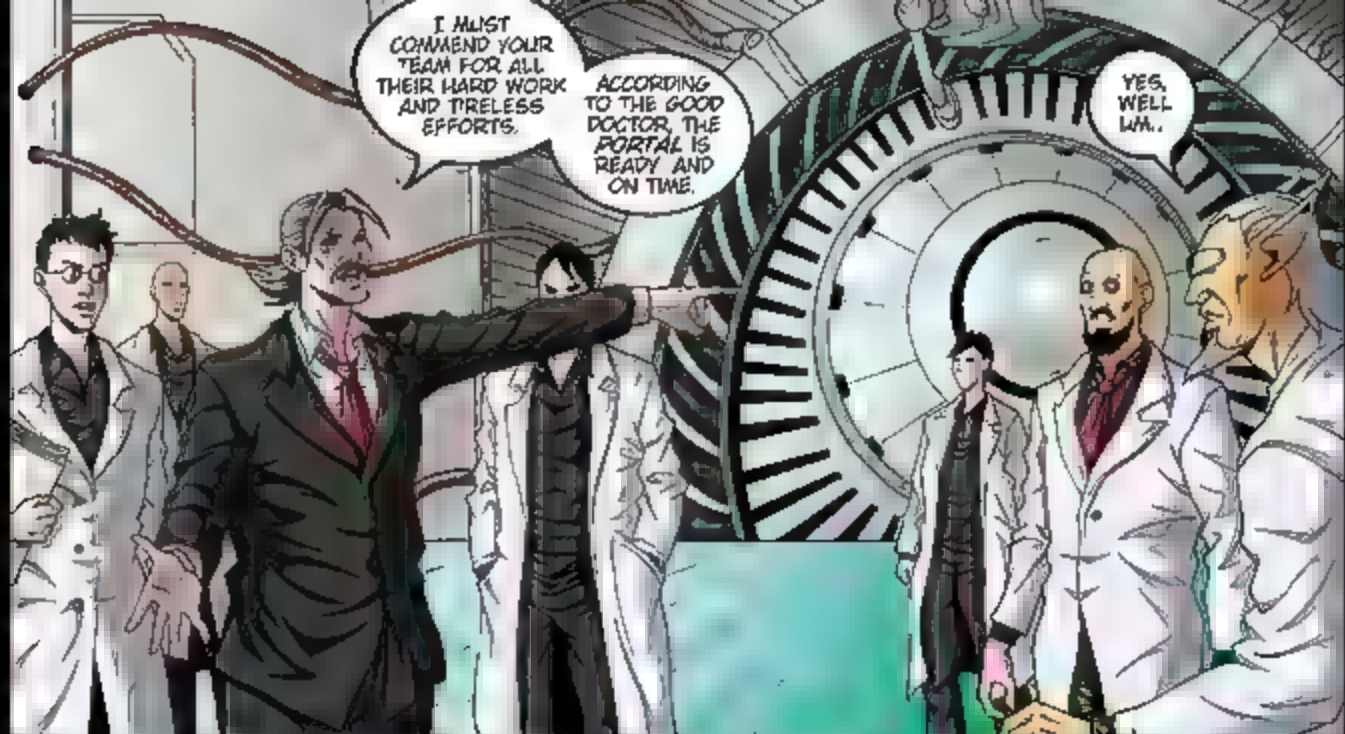
STORY & LETTERS: BENNY R. POWELL
PENCILS: WERLIN YANG
INKS: YOUJUN YANG
COLORS: KUN SONG

THIS
IS THE
CULMINATION
OF THOUSANDS
OF YEARS OF
WORK...

AND
ALL I
CAN SAY
IS...

WE'VE
DONE
IT!







ABOUT
THE SOURCE,
SIR...

HE...
HASN'T BEEN
COOPERATIVE.

THAT'S
BEING TAKEN
CARE OF



THAT'S
UM... GREAT
SIR.

MAY
I ASK
HOW?!



LET'S
JUST SAY
THAT I HAVE
THINGS IN
MOTION.

I HAVE
FULL FAITH
WE'LL GET HIS
COOPERATION BY
THE END OF
THE DAY



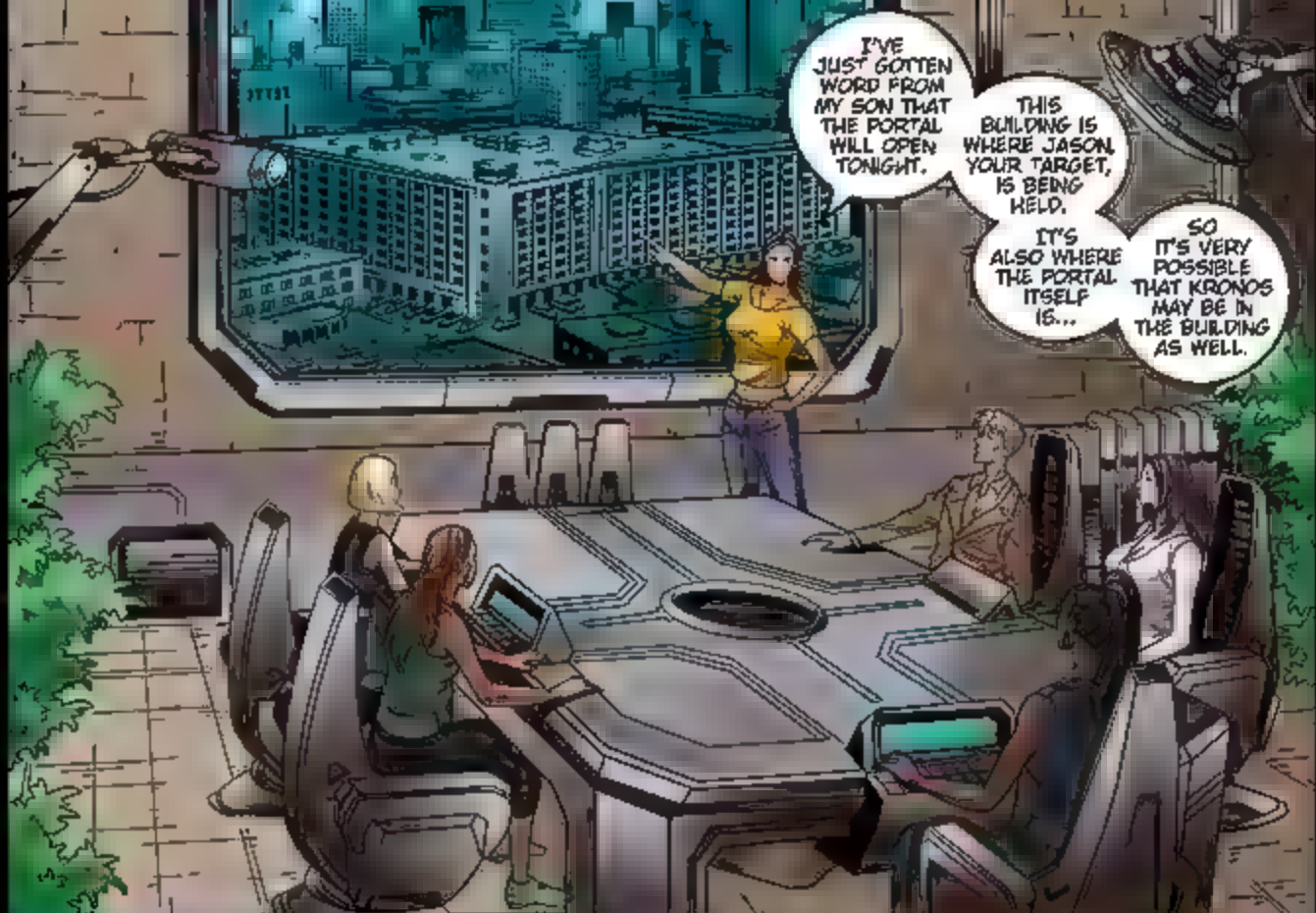
BUT
I NEED ALL
OF YOU TO BE
READY

AS
YOU SAY,
SIR.



OUR
BRETHREN
HAVE WAITED
NEARLY FIVE
THOUSAND
YEARS.

THE
PORTAL
WILL OPEN,
TONIGHT!



I'VE JUST GOTTEN WORD FROM MY SON THAT THE PORTAL WILL OPEN TONIGHT.

THIS BUILDING IS WHERE JASON, YOUR TARGET, IS BEING HELD.

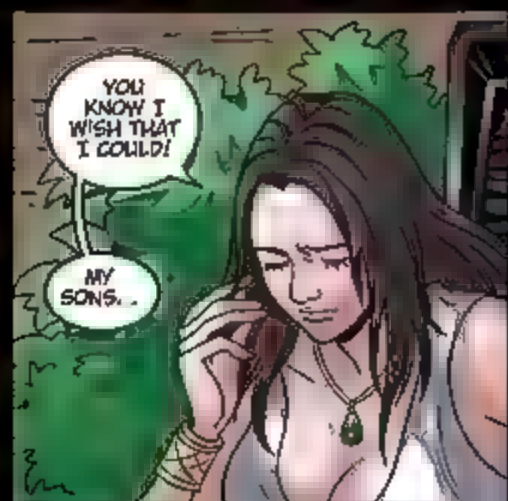
IT'S ALSO WHERE THE PORTAL ITSELF IS...

SO IT'S VERY POSSIBLE THAT KRONOS MAY BE IN THE BUILDING AS WELL.



WE MUST GET JASON OUT RIGHT NOW!

EASY FOR YOU TO SAY... YOU'RE NOT GOING IN THERE.



YOU KNOW I WISH THAT I COULD!

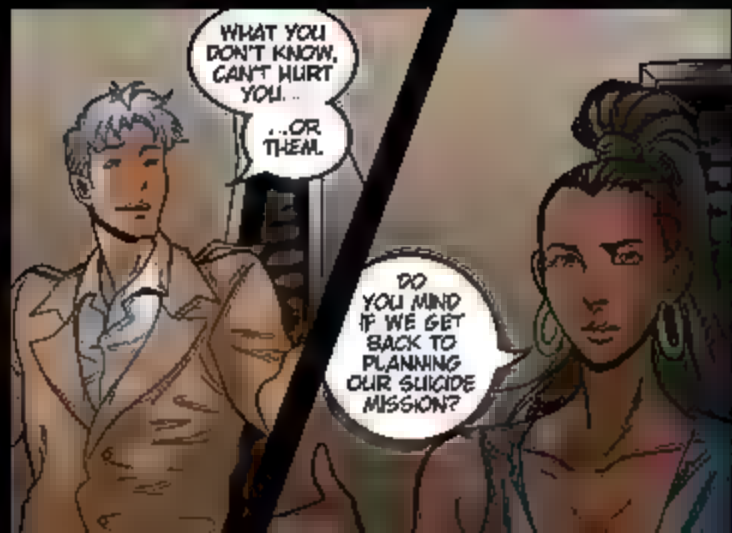
MY SONS...



I GET IT.

THAT'S WHY I'M SO GLAD I HAVEN'T GOT ANY KIDS...

THAT YOU KNOW OF...



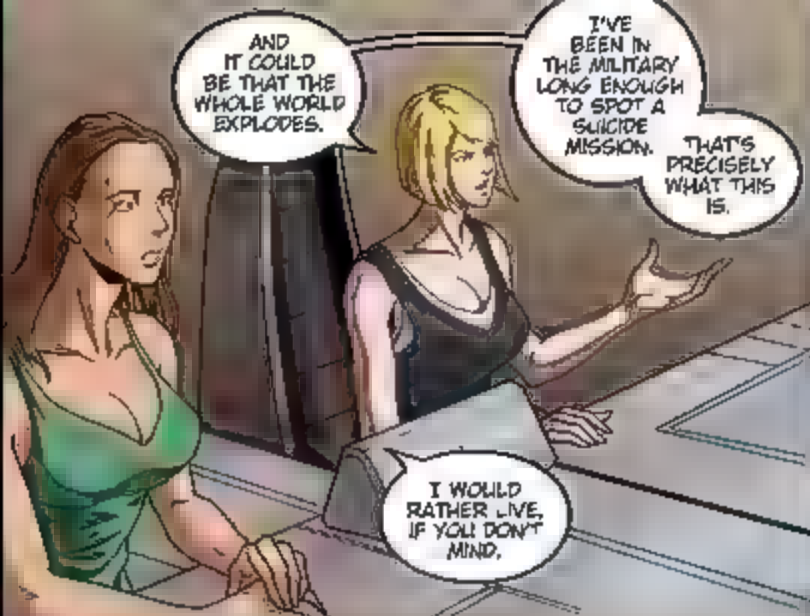
WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW, CAN'T HURT YOU...

...OR THEM.

DO YOU MIND IF WE GET BACK TO PLANNING OUR SUICIDE MISSION?



I NEVER SAID IT'S A SUICIDE MISSION. I JUST CAN'T SEE WHAT HAPPENS. IT'S PROBABLY JUST TEMPORAL DISPLACEMENT DUE TO THEIR PORTAL.



AND IT COULD BE THAT THE WHOLE WORLD EXPLODES.

I'VE BEEN IN THE MILITARY LONG ENOUGH TO SPOT A SUICIDE MISSION.

THAT'S PRECISELY WHAT THIS IS.

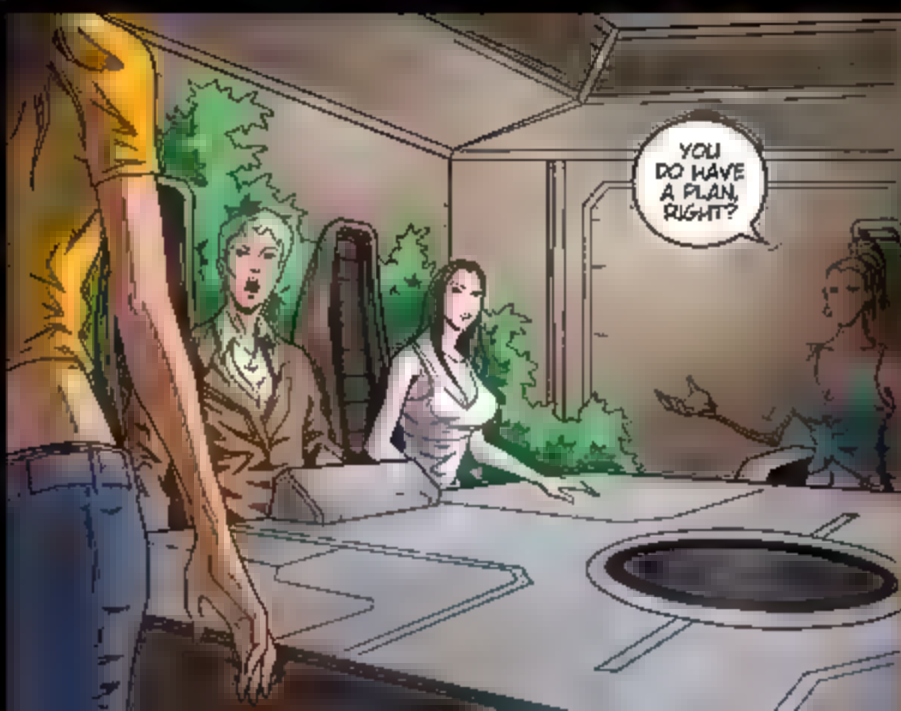
I WOULD RATHER LIVE, IF YOU DON'T MIND.



ONE THING MY DAD USED TO TELL ME WAS THAT ETHAYNIA ALWAYS HAD A PLAN...

DID HE TELL YOU ABOUT HER PLAN WHEN SHE DUMPED HIS BIG OLD BUTT?

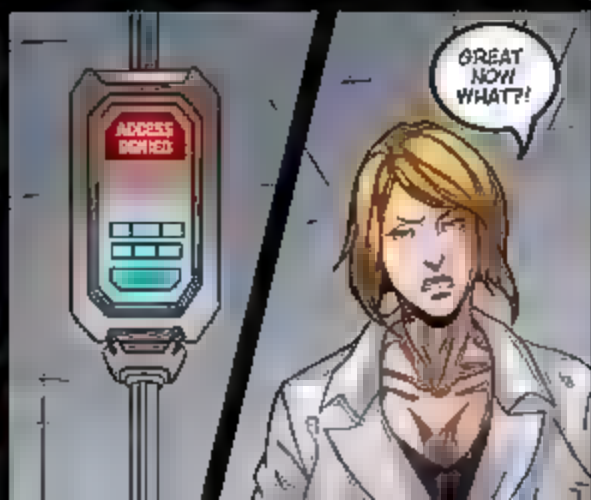
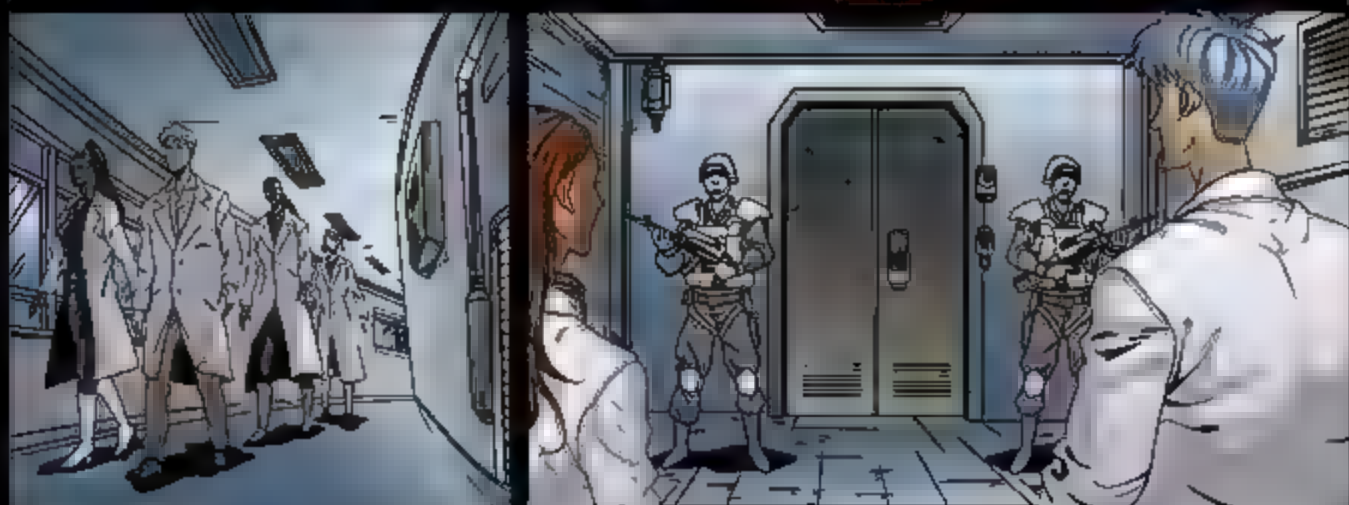
YES, AS A MATTER OF FACT, HE DID.



YOU DO HAVE A PLAN, RIGHT?



I DO.





WE'RE
WELL
BUGGERED,
THEN.

THAT
DOOR IS
REINFORCED
VASTEDIUM
CORE.

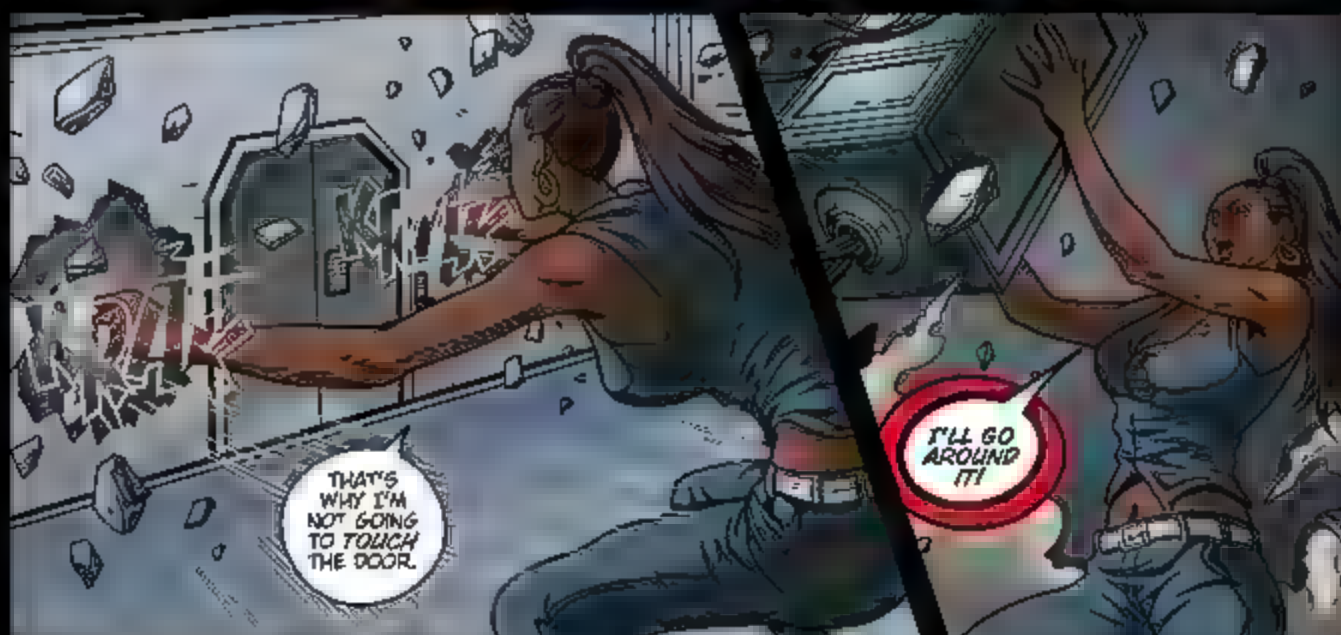
ERIS'
GUN WON'T
EVEN MAKE
A DENT



DON'T
WORRY
I'VE
GOT
THIS.



NOT
EVEN YOUR
DAD COULD
BREAK THAT
DOOR.



THAT'S
WHY I'M
NOT GOING
TO TOUCH
THE DOOR.

I'LL GO
AROUND
IT!



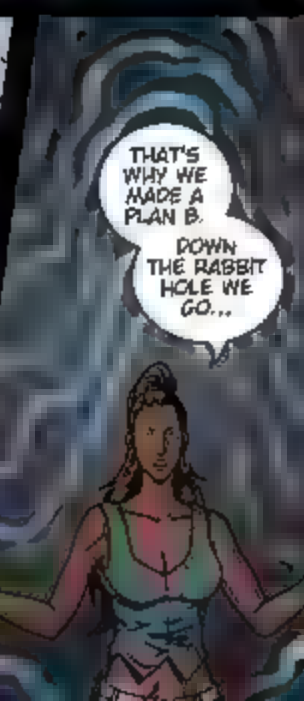
THE
WALLS AREN'T
MADE OF
VASTEDIUM.

OH.



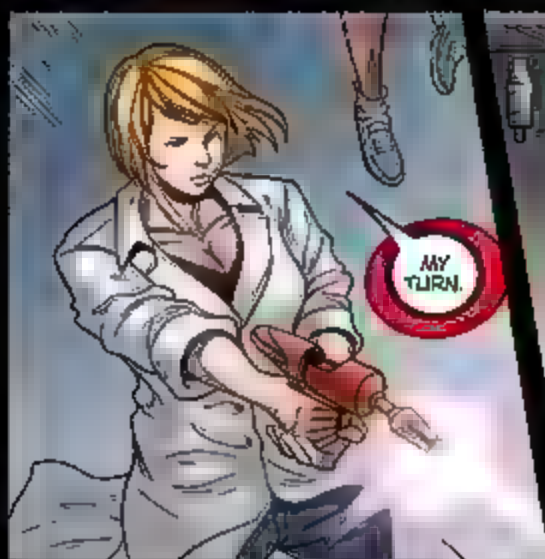
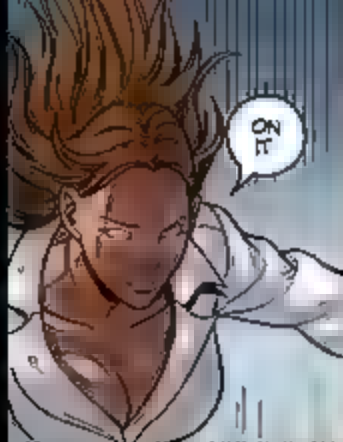
WE'LL
DONE, BUT
NOW THE
ALARMS WILL
BE GOING
OFF.

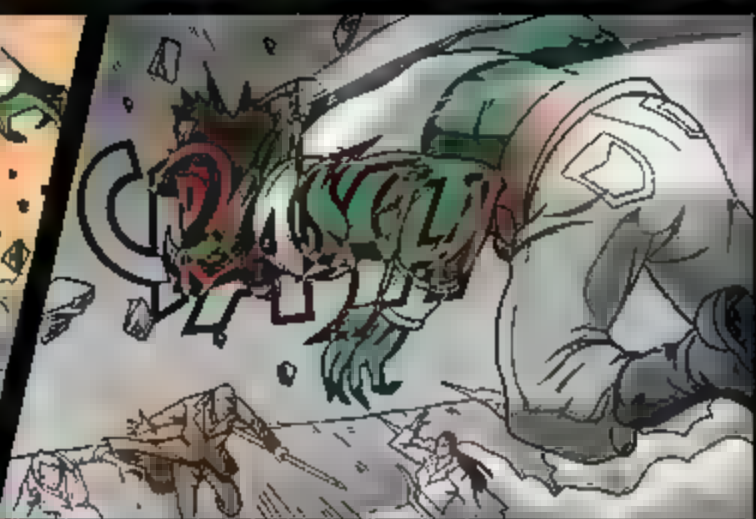
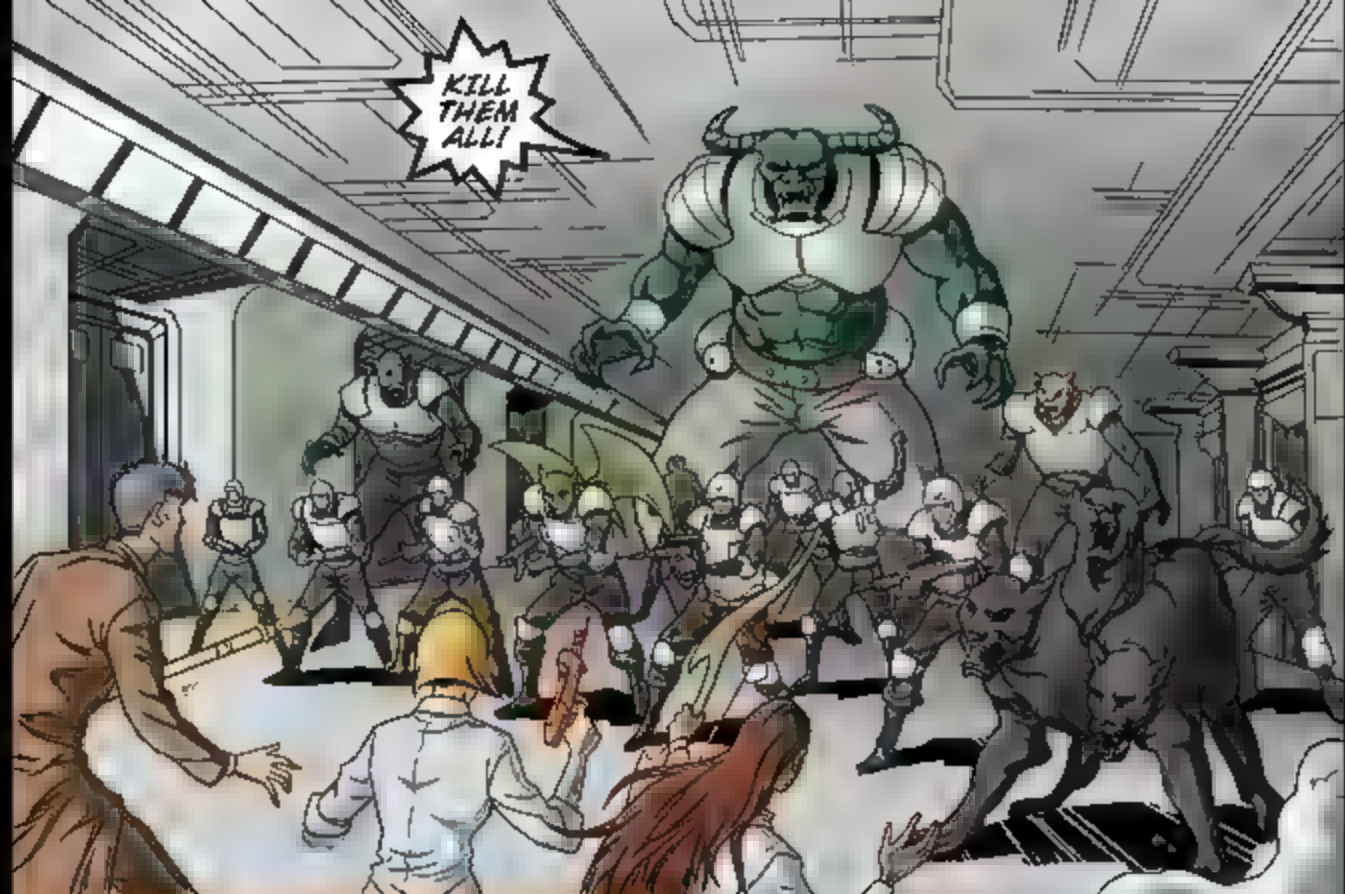
WE
HAVE TO
FIGHT OUR
WAY TO
JASON.

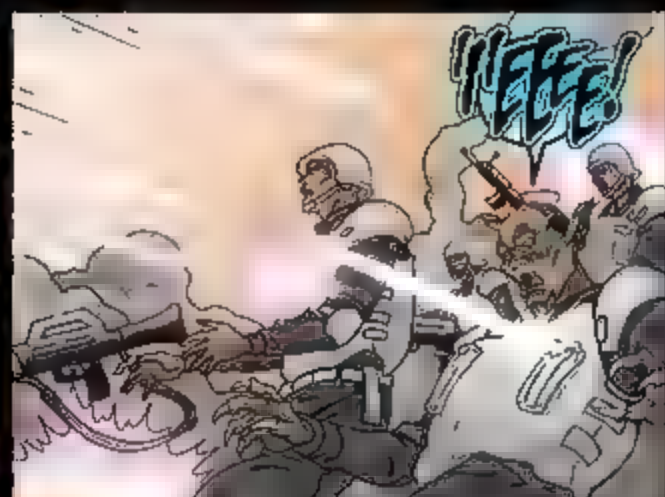


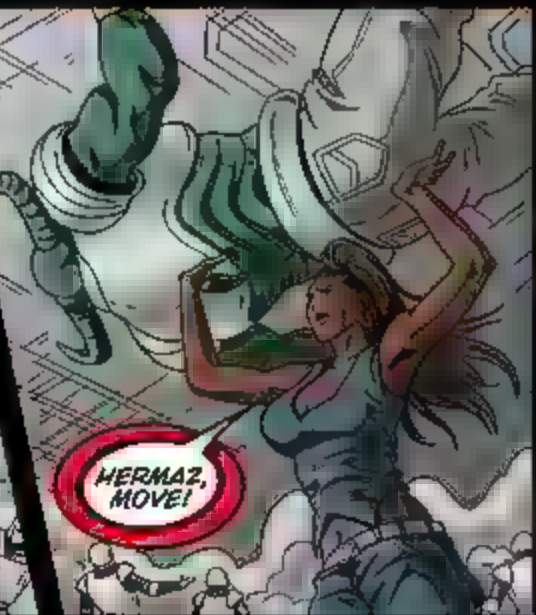
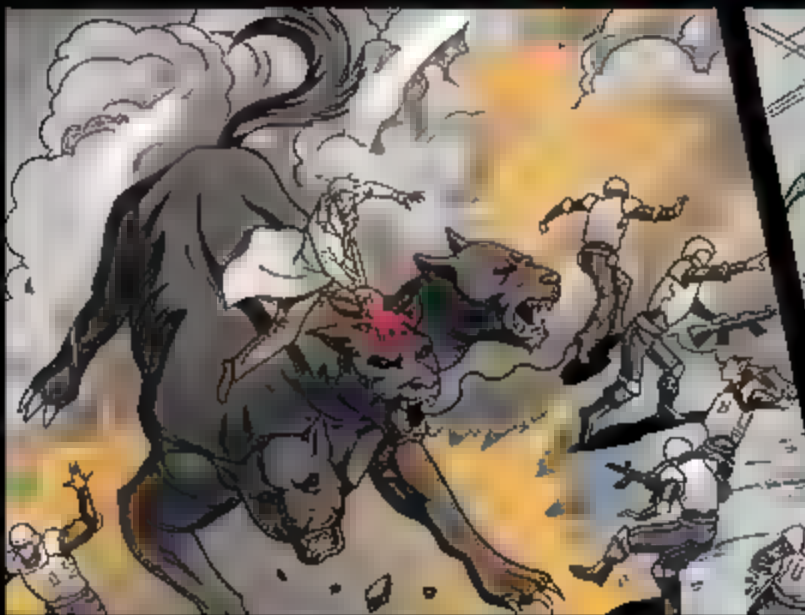
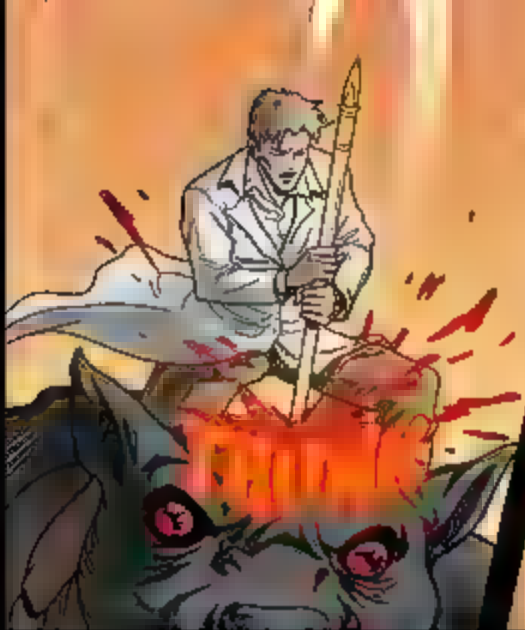
THAT'S
WHY WE
MADE A
PLAN B.

DOWN
THE RABBIT
HOLE WE
GO...











GET THEM!

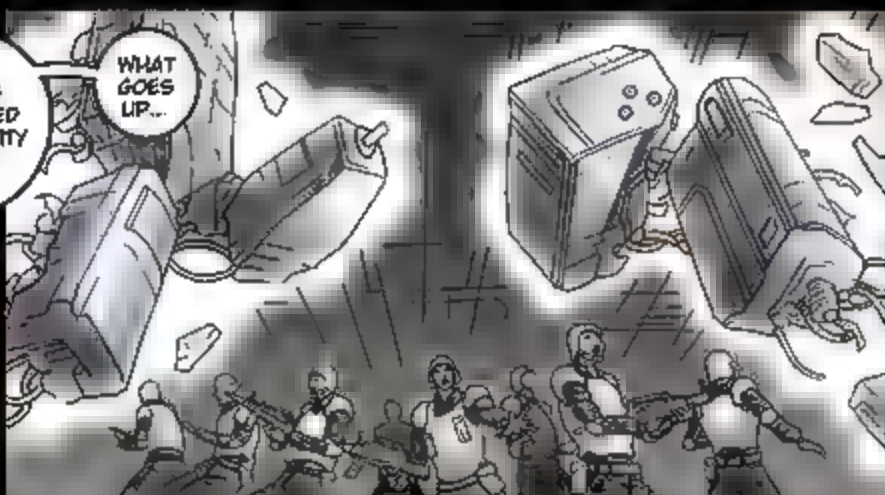


AIMING
A BIT
LOW.

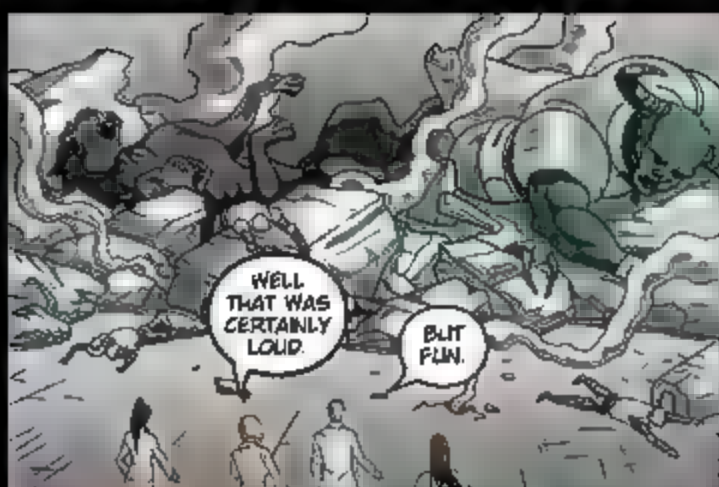
BUT
DON'T LET
IT GET YOU
DOWN.



IF
THERE'S
ONE THING
I'VE LEARNED
ABOUT GRAVITY
OVER THE
YEARS...



WHAT
GOES
UP...

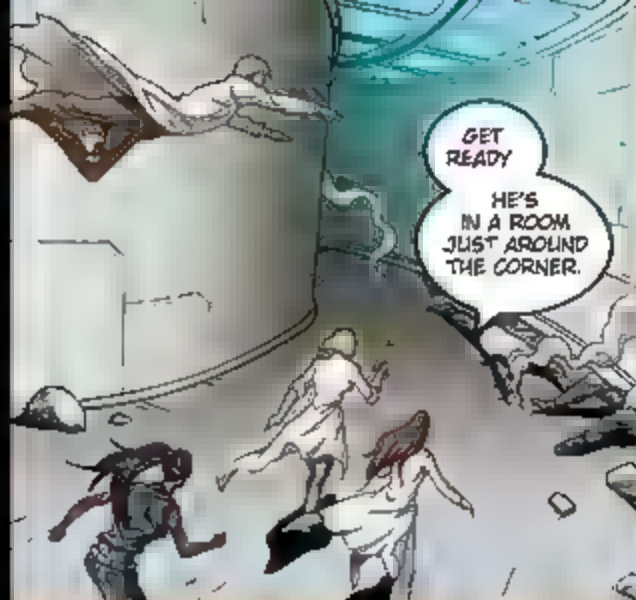


WELL
THAT WAS
CERTAINLY
LOUD.

BUT
FUN.



HURRY
JASON IS
DOWN
HERE!



GET
READY

HE'S
IN A ROOM
JUST AROUND
THE CORNER.



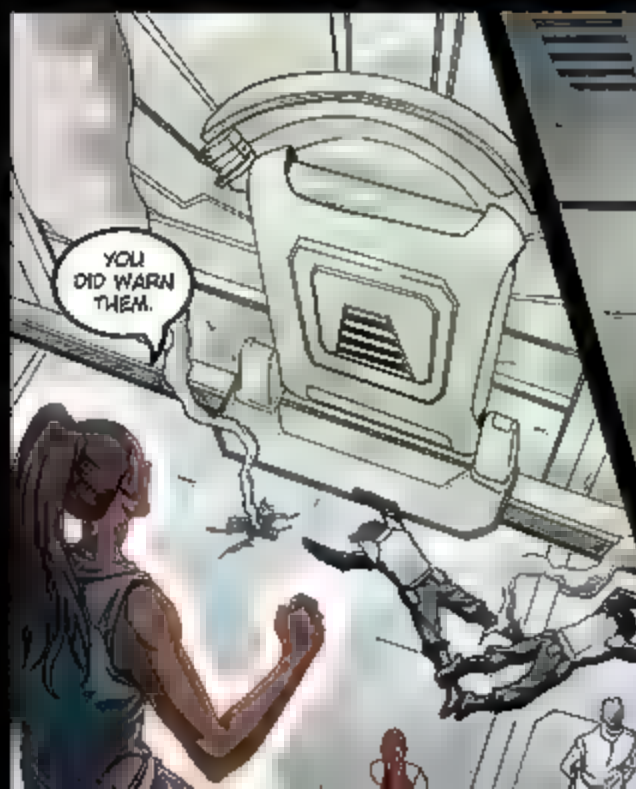
LOOK
ALIVE, GUYS
THERE ARE
INTRUDERS ON
THEIR WAY TO
RESCUE THE
PRISONER.

THAT'S
WHAT THE
ALARMS
ARE FOR?!

WHO
WOULD BE
STUPID ENOUGH
TO TRY TO
BREAK IN
HERE?



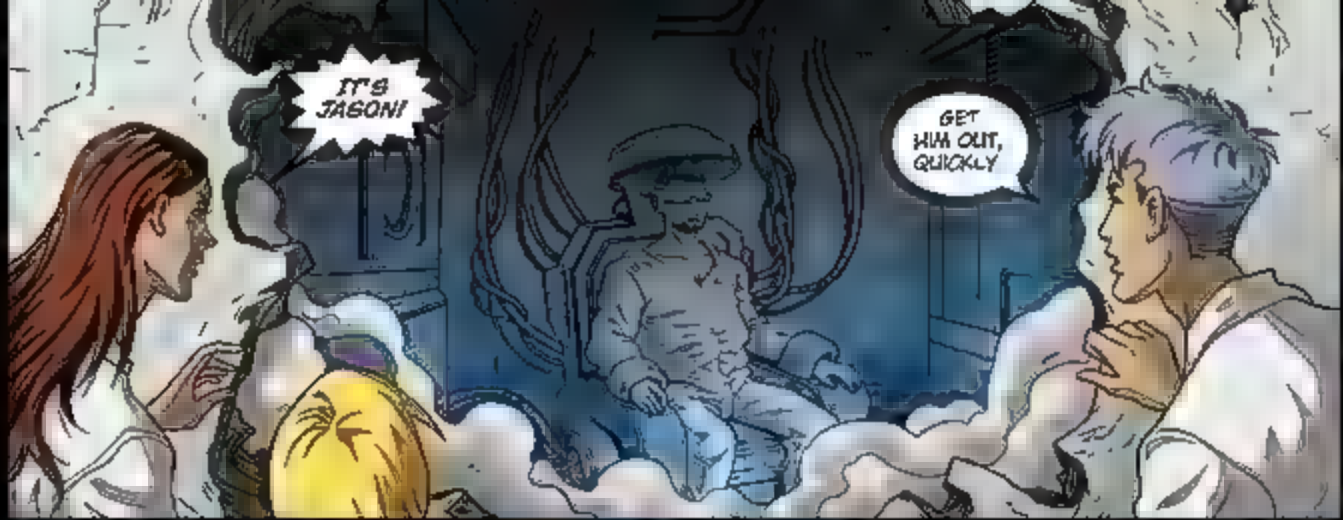
THAT
WOULD BE
US!

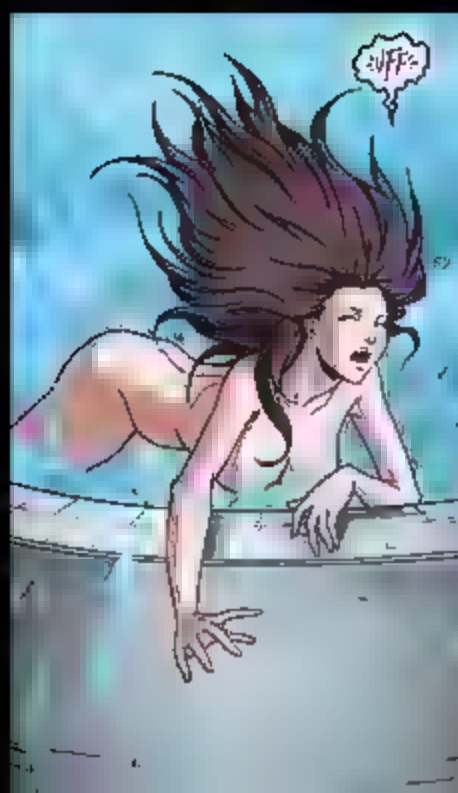
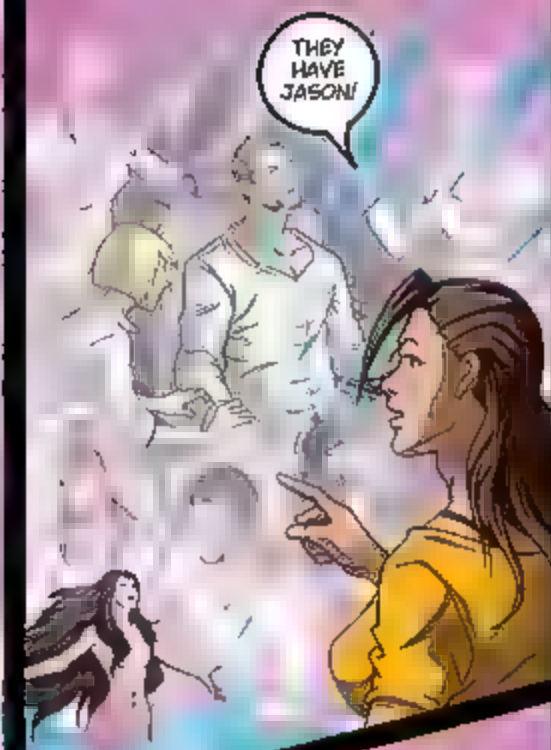


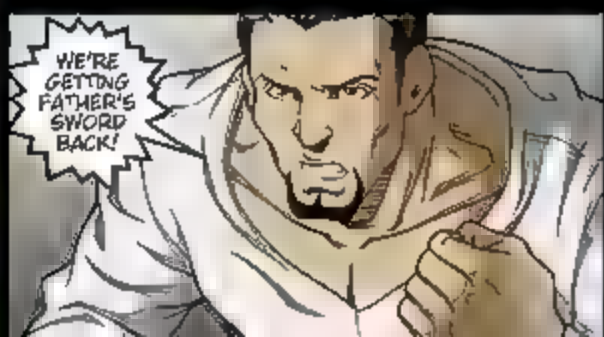
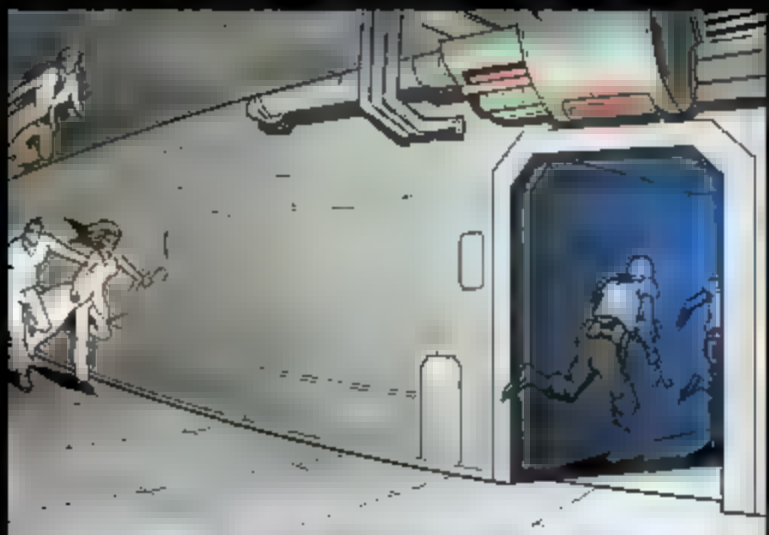
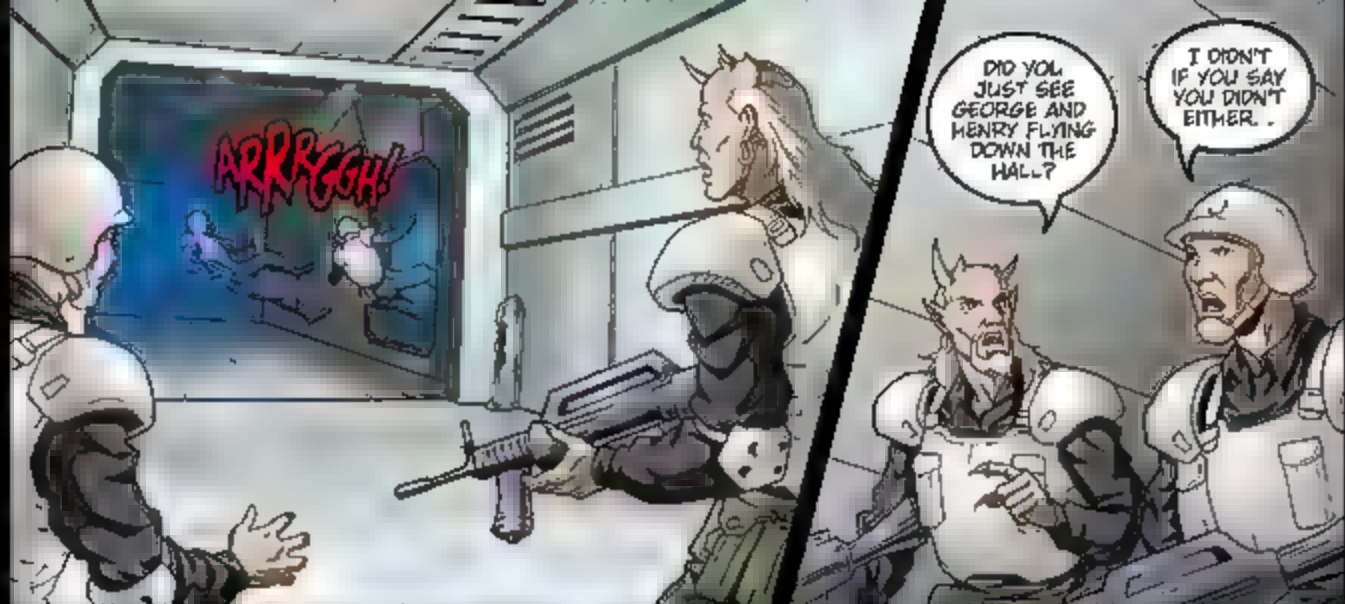
YOU
DID WARN
THEM.

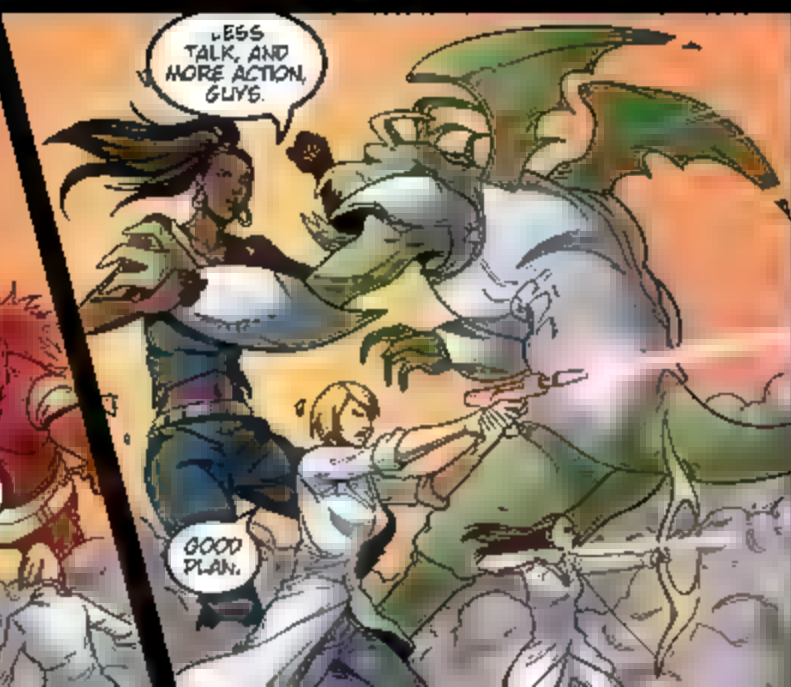
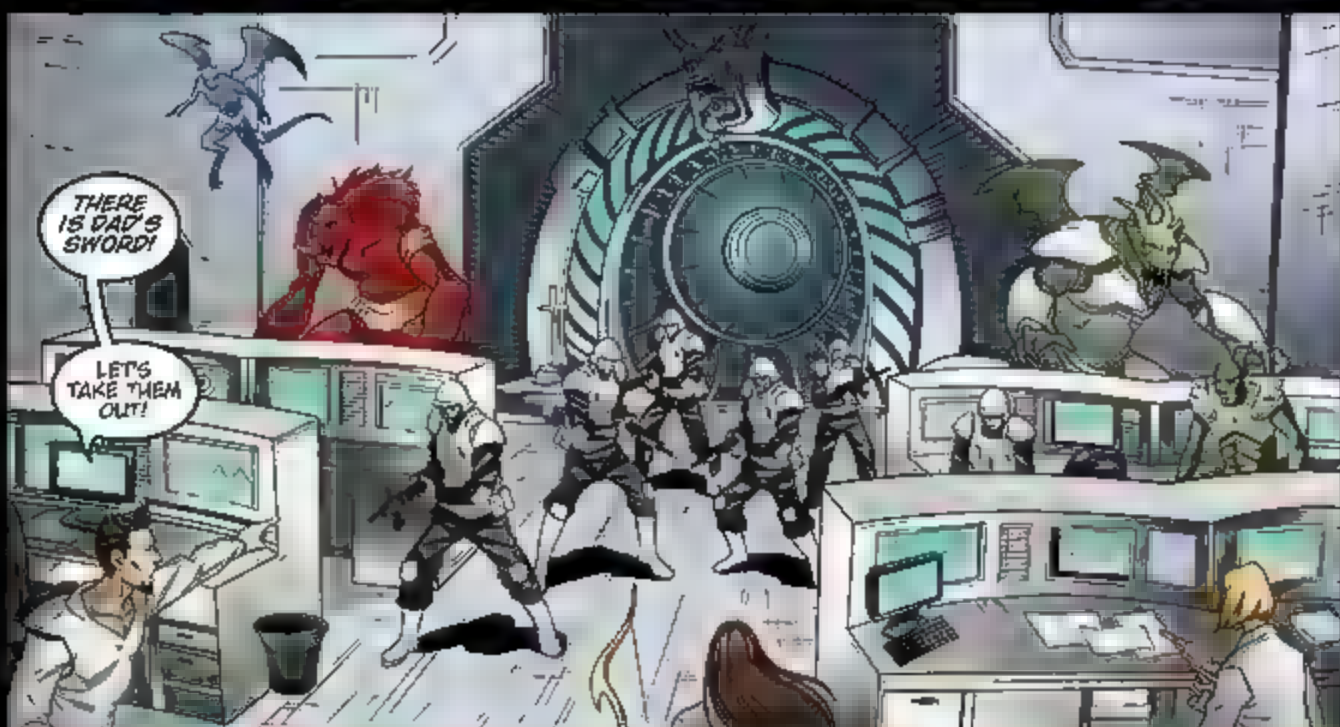
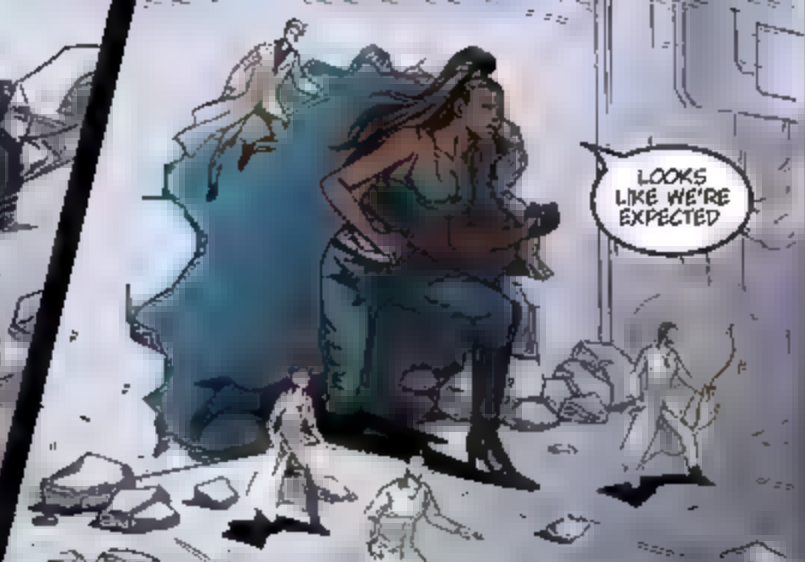
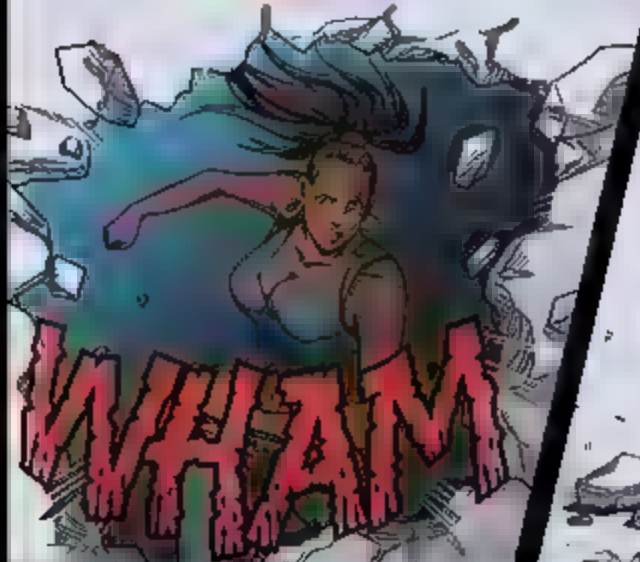


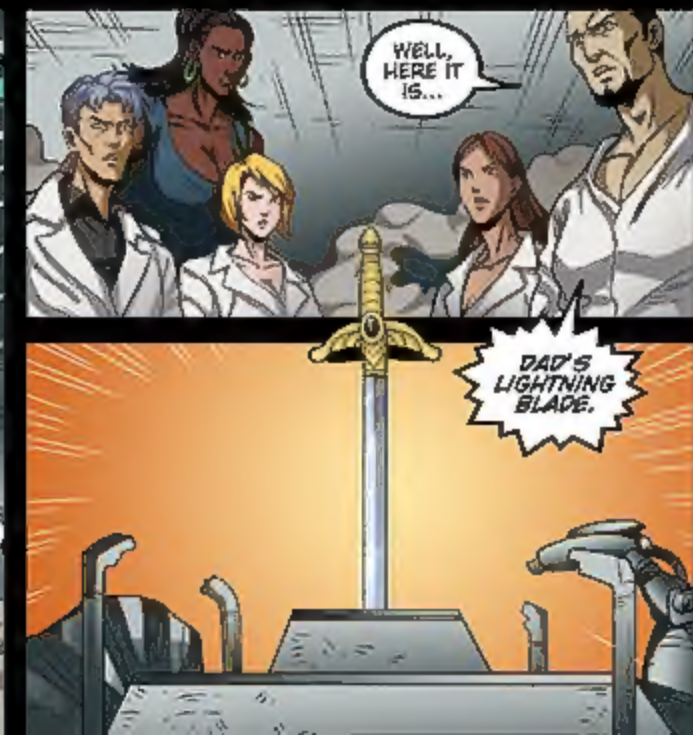
LET'S
SEE WHAT
WE HAVE BEHIND
DOOR NUMBER
ONE..















WELL
DONE,
SIR.

ALTHOUGH
IT WAS A SHAME
THAT SO MUCH
DAMAGE HAD TO
BE DONE TO
THE LAB.

THE
LAB CAN
BE REBUILT,
PAWN.

WHAT
MATTERS
IS WE GOT
WHAT WE
NEEDED.



THE
STAR CORE
HAS BEEN
ACTIVATED
THANKS TO
THIS YOUNG
MAN.



YOU
AND YOUR
FRIENDS WON'T
HAVE DIED IN
VAIN.



JUST
AS YOU
PREDICTED,
SIR.

YES, I
NEEDED HIM
TO WILLINGLY
ACTIVATE THE
SWORD.



BUT
HOW DID
YOU KNOW
THEY WOULD
TRY TO FREE
HIM?

I JUST
COUNTED ON
OUR TRAITOR
TO DO WHAT
HE DOES
BEST.

